



In Loving Memory
Of
Cindy Louise
Olordick
June 8, 1961
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Cindy was born Thursday, June 8, 1961 in Zenon Park Saskatchewan. She was the first-born daughter to James and Louise Nordick, who were very excited to become first time parents. Mom always said Cindy was a happy baby, easy going and content to sit in a box with a few toys (a make-shift playpen for on the go) and watch her parents fish before she was old enough to join them. As Cindy grew, she enjoyed family time skating outside on the homemade rink dad made, sliding and family snowmobile outings. Another favourite activity for Cindy was creating beautiful snow sculptures each year in her teenage years for the Trappers Festival. She won many first-place prizes for her snow sculptures.

Cindy excelled in school all her life. Report cards from her early school years were filled with straight A's and included comments that Cindy was a polite, hard working student with excellent attendance. In later school years she was a consistent honour student and graduated with honours.

Once done high school Cindy attended the University of Manitoba to get her Bachelors degree in nursing, graduating in May of 1984. Cindy began nursing at The Pas Health Complex right out of school and worked as a general duty nurse on the Pediatric floor. Cindy enjoyed caring for the children and their Cindy always enjoyed time with friends and family, going to the lake, visiting, potlucks, watching movies or playing games. She had fun working the bar at Family reunions where she was able to visit with everyone who came to get a drink or chat. She often planned activities for family events whether a game, a quiz or trivia to do when we all got together.

Cindy passed away suddenly which has left many friends and family with deep sadness and loss. Cindy was a daughter, a sister, a sister-in-law, auntie, cousin, granddaughter, niece, co-worker, teacher, nurse and friend. This loss will affect each of us uniquely. We have received many extended condolences and heard many stories how Cindy has had a positive effect in so many peoples lives.

In lieu of flowers, donations to The Pas and Area Animal Shelter, Box 4079, The Pas, Manitoba, R9A 1S2, would be appreciated by Cindy's family.



invitations over the years for her students to participate in community events like health fairs, community education events and of course celebrating Nursing week annually. Cindy often volunteered to lead events to commemorate Florence Nightingales birthday and promoting the history of nursing through displays, activities and of course birthday cake!

In preparation for eventual retirement Cindy most recently took a course from the Red Cross to train to be a Red Cross volunteer in our community. Her goal was to continue to help people in crisis during very trying times by becoming a Red Cross volunteer. It would have been very difficult for her to retire without having a plan to continue helping people in her community and in the north.

Outside work, Cindy was a proud auntie to Ava, her only niece. She was extremely excited when Ava was born and spent a lot of time crafting and playing with her. Cindy made Ava's first birthday cake and a few more afterwards, making them into shapes of a lady bug and butterfly.

Cindy was creative and very crafty. She helped friends who were entertaining by making vegetable animals and bouquets from vegetables and fruit to dress up the displays of foods to be served. Cindy also enjoyed needlepoint, crocheting and painting in earlier years.

Once Cindy began working as a nursing instructor, she had summers free and instead of travelling she chose to spend her summers at her cabin at Clearwater Lake. She and her dogs, Max first and Buster later would go out every summer with the rest of the family, often joining for overnights, or for daily outings. Prior to getting her cabin Cindy was fortunate to travel in high school with the travel club, travelling to Greece, Rome and Italy, and England. Later, once Lesa graduated, she and Lesa went to England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales and on another trip to eastern Canada stopping in each province out as far as Prince Edward Island.

Cindy was also a busy volunteer in both the community and the catholic church. Cindy was a CWL member for 38 years and volunteered for many church and CWL functions and fundraisers. Cindy volunteered most recently for The Pas and area animal shelter to assist in any way she could by baking for sales, donating to yard sales and selling raffle tickets. It's no surprise she wanted to continue to support them as her charity of choice in lieu of flowers.

families and took extra time to decorate the ward walls with homemade decorations to brighten the halls and playroom, hoping to make the hospital stay for the children and families a little less scary. Cindy worked in this roll for 6 years before getting her job as Nursing Instructor at Keewatin Community College, now University College of the North. I believe she knew she could help many more patients and families by teaching nursing, each new nursing graduate an extension of her knowledge and experience. Similar to when a stone is thrown into the water, landing in a fixed location, but the ripples going on reaching much farther distances. Cindy worked in her current job as a Nursing Instructor for 31 years, and during that time continued her own education going on to get her certificate in adult education and then later her Masters Degree in Distance education from the University of Athabasca. Cindy achieved this further education all the while she worked which also demonstrates the commitment she had to her own lifelong learning and to the job she needed to do to help train future nurses.

Cindy often talked about how it was important for nursing students to understand the complete person and not just the diagnosis. Her teachings often included jokes, stories, videos, demonstrations and anything she could use to help each student get a well-rounded experience in all classes she taught. Cindy had a soft spot for children and older adults, often trying to find meaningful experiences for her students that brought them into the community to experience nursing with these two age groups, attending health fairs, health conferences, and teddy bear picnics. Cindy also felt strongly that it was important for her students to learn how to care for patients after death as well and partnered with Hemauers at our local funeral home setting up a learning experience for her students so they would learn how to care for a patient immediately after death, a compassionate and important part of nursing not always taught or understood.

Cindy also volunteered with her nursing students, at several Festival of Trees events. Each year setting up a Nursing tree with her students and taking the time to make homemade decorations that reflected nursing. This experience was meant to help her students understand that community volunteering as a nurse was also something to be valued, and that nursing went beyond the doors of your employer. Cindy accepted many

