



Velma Fern Schwabe

June 22, 1951 - August 22, 2014

Velma Schwabe passed away suddenly in Edmonton at the U of A Hospital at the age of 63.

She will be lovingly remembered by her brother Clark, sisters Myrna (Leonard) Lipman, Dulce Forrest and Carla (Ken Hamelin), as well as her nieces Amanda Adams and Amber Forrest and nephews Jason Schwabe, Matthew Hamelin and Job (Andrea) Forrest as well as their children and many family and friends. Velma is predeceased by her niece Marion Forrest, brother Orson, father Howard and mother Clara.

Thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff at the U of A that cared for Velma. Also, special thanks to her friends and the staff at Kiwanis Place.

Velma loved yoga, drawing, watercolour painting, children and supporting animal rights and the homeless.

Cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held.

Please help support those who need grievance support and those who suffer from depression and mental illness by making a donation to The Support Network in Edmonton in Velma's name in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall

PO

“ Yes Velma, you were always the wisest! Having stumbled across your path by accident so many years later, I can still hear your lighthearted laughter and remember your brightly shining face in the back of my little car on the way out to Cherhill. Life deals us all different hands - your services must have been needed before those of us still here in body. You will never be forgotten.

Pat

Pat Ondrus - November 25, 2015 at 10:56 PM

AM

“ Thinking about you today Auntie V and missing your smile and laughter! I have so many fond memories of your, riding your bike over to babysit me and Job, how I loved your visits. Living with you even though it was for a short period of time, you impacted my life more than you'll ever know. I remember saving up all my hard earned dollars to go and visit the family in Montreal and you surprised me by giving me back my rent \$\$ to have a great trip. We all miss you so much, until we see each other again! xoxoxo

Amber - November 13, 2015 at 02:30 PM

ML

“ My Dear Sister

I am heartbroken over losing you from my life. I may be your older sister but in many ways you were wiser. I have never met anyone to match your gentle spirit, kindness and compassion you showed to people and animals. When you were able you were always up for an adventure, and I will always remember and treasure our travels together. I trust you are resting in peace surrounded by our family members who have gone before. Give Corky a belly rub from me. You may be gone from this earth, but you will never be forgotten and will always be in my heart. Love you-Myrna (aka Ernie)

Myrna Lipman - August 31, 2014 at 10:24 PM

“ My dear sister,

I will always treasure the time we spent together, the laughs we shared, your special smile, talents and sense of humour. I will miss your company most. I am so grateful for the time we did have together and for the poems, stories, sketches, thoughts and cards you kept that helped writing your eulogy that much easier. Not only that but the adventurous life you led before you became ill, it set the mood for a wonderful celebration in your honour. Myrna, Dulce, Matt, Amber and I went for an ice cream cone after your service...sorry you couldn't be there to enjoy it with us! Amber's friend Kevin provided us with a lovely venue in the river valley to share our memories of you. There was a delicious luncheon prepared by Jessica the caterer and she even made Ernie a GF bun! Oh ya and we took the leftovers to The Mustard Seed Church to feed a few more less fortunate people as you often did. We shared all of your paintings, some sketches and poems and some of your favourite things that made you smile each day. The designer at Merle's Flowers looked at your picture from the 70's that we used and said "Oh she's and old hippy!" He then made you a heavenly topiary of hydrangea's, gerbera daisies, sunflowers and greens that you would have absolutely loved I'm sure! A lovely lady Major Langer from Salvation Army did a wonderful job on your service. Besides immediate family, nieces, nephews, Courtney & Russel guests included Auntie Ida, Uncle Eric, Perry, Auntie Nora, Marilyn (Gerry wasn't able to attend), Leanna R., a number of your GNH colleagues, Dr M and your favourite nurse Gloria, Brenda, Bill (shared a story about you trying to water ski) and Wendy. Lastly my dear sister I want to thank you for being so organized and for your writings that provided me with information about things I didn't know about mom and other things. I will keep a copy of the card you sent to your friend Margaret to remind myself how to enjoy and cherish life, people and the things you love every day. Like you sipping gin and tonic from 100 year old glasses, polishing furniture with real walnuts or sharing a fine meal complete with wine and liver pate (ok maybe not the pate!) with a good friend and that you only need a

few good pieces of clothing because you can mix and match! You are in a safe place now no more pain, wind, snow or hail hopefully catching up on old times with dad, mom, Orson and Marion. And if you see Max scratch him behind the ears and throw a ball for him okay. RIP my dear sister....LOVE YOU...Carla

Carla Schwabe - August 30, 2014 at 02:17 PM

CA

“ *Carla lit a candle in memory of Velma Fern Schwabe*



Carla - August 28, 2014 at 06:02 PM