



Catherine (Kay) Kynoch

September 27, 1936 - January 20, 2024

Catherine (Kay) Kynoch, aged 87, died suddenly in Halifax on January 20, 2024. She is survived by her daughter Lynn (Mike), sons Steven (Annie) and Gary (Theresa), along with granddaughters Catherine and Shannon and grandson Nate. The daughter of Edward and Winnie Brennan, Kay grew up with her beloved sister, Sheilagh, during WWII and had lots of stories of overnighting in the backyard bomb shelter during raids. She was a talented Irish dancer as a girl and competed across England. In 1956, Kay married Dick Kynoch and emigrated to Montreal where her three children were born. In 1970 the Kynoch family relocated to Bramalea in Ontario. It was in Bramalea where Kay put down roots and made lifelong friends. She was especially close with Shirley Williams and Pat Horner. Kay was effectively a single mother as Dick was often away on business. She was devoted to her children and enjoyed attending all their hockey, soccer, and softball games. Following a short move to Vancouver, Kay and Dick parted ways and Kay got together with Fred Gribbon, with whom she spent fifteen happy years, full of lawn bowling competitions, Caribbean cruises, and trips to Vegas. After Fred died, Kay moved to England to be closer to Lynn and Sheilagh, along with a huge circle of extended family and friends. Her last move was to Halifax to live with Gary, Theresa and Nate and she delighted in those two years with her grandson where she was a fixture at all his sporting events. The return to Canada also allowed Kay to visit her Bramalea friends and she made several trips to her second home at Shirley's. Pat, Shirley, and Kay were aiming to

make 100 together - now it's up to Shirley and Pat and Kay will be cheering you on. Her children will remember her as a fantastic mother who unwaveringly supported them through good times and bad. Kay had a wonderful, rich life. She was happiest surrounded by people, swapping stories, and always laughing. She will be missed terribly.

** No Flowers by request**

Tribute Wall

LP

“ My Mum;
An extraordinary Lady full of compassion integrity and kindness. She accomplished so much in her life. Mum could get through any adversities in life all the while smiling, laughing being very strong and gave so much love and support to others. My Mum touched the lives of so many people friends and family alike. Mum will always be around us in spirit... guaranteed!!

Lynn Patchett - February 14, 2024 at 04:28 PM

AM

“ Kay was a bit part of our lives with Sheilagh. We always included her in any meal we had planned or if we were due to watch City. I remember the time she was shouting at the players as she did often and realised she was supporting the wrong team. She always laughed it off and was the first to laugh at herself 😂
I'll miss her kindness and company.
Rest in peace
Her Andrew

Andy McKnight - February 01, 2024 at 12:53 PM

BM

She would be howling at this 🤔🤔🤔- you did mean big part didn't you? 🤔

Bernadette Mcknight - February 05, 2024 at 06:17 PM

ER

“ Kay I will miss our chats very much. Our last chat was filled with laughter and reminiscing about the good old days and we shared memories of good times. I enjoyed very much hearing about your adventures in Nova Scotia. I'm sure that Sheilagh, family and friends had a big welcome party for you. Watch over us Kay. You will be very sadly missed. Lots of love from Angela, Erin, Adam

Erin-Marie Rice - January 31, 2024 at 09:58 AM

SC

“ My mum Loretta loved spending time with Kay. Sheilagh and the other cousins.
They all had such a laugh. As did I when I was able to join them. I have enjoyed keeping in touch with Kay since she has been back in Canada.
Sending love to all of Kay's family at this sad time.
Love from Susan and Howard xx

Susan Clarke - January 28, 2024 at 04:28 PM

LP

Thank you Susan. Mum touched the lives of many and cared kept in touch with so many of friends and family. She delighted in doing so. I hope you're all well. Love, Lynnxx

Lynn Patchett - February 03, 2024 at 06:00 AM

SH

“ I grew up hearing about my mums (Terri,'s) lovely cousin Kay and so when she moved to England with Fred it was wonderful to actually meet her. Her and Fred were incredibly kind and hospitable to Mum when she visited them in Cornwall and Mum was so happy to spend time with her during the later years of her life. I enjoyed getting to know her at the cousins get togethers and exchanging newsy emails once she moved back to Canada where she was so happy living with Gary, Theresa and Nate. Kay will be so sadly missed but is hopefully reunited with Fred, Sheilagh and other family members. RIP Kay. Love Sarah and Paul. Xx

Sarah Harper - January 28, 2024 at 03:03 PM

AL

“ Kay my dear cousin I remember a courageous compassionate true lady with a wonderful sense of humour. Angela

Angela loughran - January 28, 2024 at 09:31 AM

JM

“ My second grandma Aunty Kay,

Where do I start but by saying how grateful I was to have you in my life you were so special to me and you will be missed dearly, I remember one day after school I was being followed by a group of men and I was round the corner from your apartment I ran up and rang your buzzer and you let me in a looked after a panicked Joe, you got me some biscuits as like mum (Sheilagh) there was always a bottomless biscuit tin, and you made me some toast which again like mum always tasted better than when it was made at home (might have been the pound of butter) but you looked after me.

I was just going to share that memory however how could I forget about the porn on the TV!!! it was one weekend and you were looking after me and Martha and you and mum couldn't get the tv to work so you shout for me and Martha and to our absolute horror we walk in and there is my Two grandmas sat there watching a porn channel I'm still traumatised but it's another memory that made you and mum so special miss you loads Aunty Kay.

I hope there is plenty of Fry's chocolate cream in Heaven <3

Joe McKnight - January 28, 2024 at 09:13 AM

LP

Oh Joe... what a wonderful warm, hilarious tribute you've written to my Mum.

Thank you.

She loved you dearly.

Lynn Patchett - February 02, 2024 at 12:20 PM

VB

“ Kay was a wonderful lady who will be so sadly missed by all her family and friends. When Kay was in Canada she enjoyed flat lane bowling and when she came back to Manchester my husband Steve who was a crown green bowler took her on to the green which is more difficult and she really took to it and joined a club and competed in competitions. Kay and her beloved sister Sheilagh were terrific company and like a double act, simply hilarious. I am so pleased we got to spend time with Kay and after Sheilagh passed was happy for Kay going to live Canada with her beloved family and spend precious time with her grandson Nate. Good night and God bless lovely lady and I am sure you and Sheilagh will be continuing your double act and entertaining all our late family. 💕💕💕💕

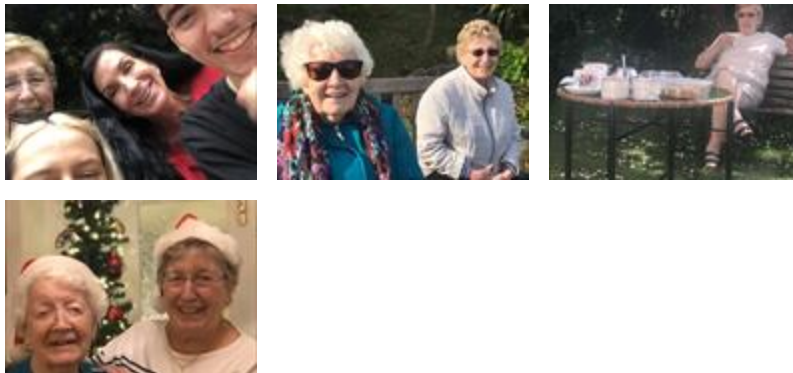
Virginia Bowl - January 28, 2024 at 07:25 AM

MM

“ My lovely (great) Aunty Kay. Growing up with you in my life was such a blessing. The bond between you and mum (Sheilagh) was like no other, and having two phenomenal women raising me and Joe is something we will be forever grateful for.

I remember one summers evening I was locked out of my house and didn't know where to go. I rang you (as you were always a night owl) and came over. I arrived whilst you were tucking mum into bed and we chatted and had hot chocolates biscuits. Then you tucked me into the bed I had slept over in since I was a child. Such a simple night turned out to be one of the most perfect and memorable.

I'm so glad you went back to Canada in your final years, it was where you belonged. Thank you for making me into the woman i am today and I can't wait to tell my children amazing stories of their great great aunty kay. I love you always, Martha xx



Martha McKnight - January 27, 2024 at 06:42 PM

AH

“ A wonderful lady who will be sorely missed. Always a great support to us and others. We loved our video chats over the last couple of years, the distance melting away as we chatted and laughed together. Rest in peace. Love Gabrielle, Amanda and Andy xxx

amanda horkan - January 27, 2024 at 02:26 PM

“ We have so many memories of Aunty Kay and are blessed to have had her play such an important part in our lives.

For me, as a little girl, her trips back to the UK from Canada were always a highlight with lots of parties and gatherings planned.

Mum (Sheilagh) missed her so much.

Andrew and I have happy memories of visiting Cornwall as well as visiting her and Fred in Canada. This is when she saw I'd picked a "good 'un" and always referred to Andrew as "my Andrew". I didn't stand a chance, he could do no wrong.

In later years, when she moved back to live near Mum- it was wonderful. Martha and Joe saw her as another Grandma rather than their Great Aunt. There was always chocolate and biscuits whenever she was around!

The six of us did so much together and called ourselves The Crazy Gang- and we did do some wonderful crazy stuff together. We were blessed to go on so many adventures but nothing topped the Christmas we spent in Rome.

Aunty Kay loved food and we loved cooking- hundreds of mealtimes spent together round the table surrounded by love and laughter and the creation of so many memories- her favourite meal made by us being lamb roast followed by creme brûlée. (though she never said no to anything on offer ☐.

She was also a visitor on big match days when she used to come round for food and to watch her beloved Manchester City.

In the final year of Mums life, she was my absolute rock. The pair of us went on a journey only the pair of us shared and we couldn't have done it without each other. When Mum died, we both lost our best friend.

Rest well now Aunty Kay- we will all miss you so very much- but thank you for the amazing memories you helped create with us, the wisdom you shared with us and the love you gave us.





Bernadette Mcknight - January 27, 2024 at 12:44 PM

JT

“*Kay was a joy to know and is sorely missed. A wonderful aunty to John, a great aunty to Katie and Edward and aunty-in-law to Helen! A supremely kind person and a bundle of fun and wit. Peace, perfect peace to you Kay.*”

John, Helen, Katie and Edward Tynan - January 26, 2024 at 08:59 AM

ML

Kay was a friendly lady and a popular member of the bowls club. My prayers and masses will be offered for her and her family.

Mary Lyons - January 27, 2024 at 05:32 AM

TW

“*A lovely friend for 10 years but felt like I'd known her all my life. Safe journey to meet Fred and Sheilagh. Will miss our weekly FaceTime and texts. Much love to all your family xxx*”

Theresa Williams - January 26, 2024 at 07:29 AM

CS

“*A lovely warm hearted lady who will be missed by all her friends but especially her family, lots of memories of happy times and laughs with love Carol Ann and Geoff Southgate xx*”

Carol Ann Southgate - January 26, 2024 at 02:36 AM

HP

A wonderful, warm hearted lady with a great sense of humour: she was a huge source of comfort to me during a difficult part of my life and I will never forget her kindness. RIP Kay.

Harry Patchett - January 26, 2024 at 11:46 PM