

Lynn Patricia Turnbull Shepherd!

Today we gather to celebrate the life of Lynn Shepherd. Who was she? She was a daughter, sister, sister-in-law, wife, mother, grandmother, niece, cousin, aunt, friend and confidant to many. Lynn was born to Brian Patrick Nelson Turnbull and Greta Reynolds Blandford Turnbull on April 3rd, 1943 in Montreal. She was sister to big brother Brian. Growing up she attended school and had many friends but her favorite times were when the family got together to celebrate Thanksgiving Christmas and Easter; even the lesser occasions of Valentines Day, St. Patrick's Day and Hallowe'en. This continued throughout her whole life, as celebrations of birthdays and anniversaries were also very important to her. On June 23rd, 1962, Lynn married the love of her life, Brian Keith Shepherd and lived in their home on Delmar for almost all their 57 years of married life until last year when they moved into their apartment on Vermont Avenue. They were blessed with three beautiful children, Wendy Kathryn, Carolyn Janice and Wayne Stuart Patrick who have continued to be the constant loving care and support of both Lynn and Brian through this trying time. Lynn adored her two grandchildren, James and Adriana and was always delighted to have them visit.

For over 25 years, Lynn managed the Box Office for the Lakeshore Players as well as working for over 10 years at Hadley's in Pointe Claire until they closed. She had many beautiful opportunities to travel and some of the highlights were her trip to

Italy with dear friend, Muriel and to London and Paris with her two daughters, Wendy and Carolyn, where they shared their love of things British and French. There was a trip to Scandinavia, New York, cruises, trips to Florida, visiting Marilyn and Bob and Brian and Gail until Lynn and Brian rented in Naples one year and finally decided to rent in Bradenton in the building next to us where they made many friends and enjoyed the visits of family and friends. Every summer they made trips to visit Rod and Cathy in the Muskokas and Brian and Gail in the Laurentians. Brian and Lynn's 50th Wedding Anniversary was celebrated with a trip to Bermuda to revisit the places that they had been on their honeymoon in 1962. They also had a beautiful party with family and friends in Montreal.

Lynn loved her game of Bridge which she had played for so many years with family, friends and her Bridge Club. She was an active Lawn Bowler and Alley Bowler and had perfected both sports. Her greatest love was to cook for family and friends and her table was a celebration of season or holiday. She loved the outdoors and to walk her little dog, Ming. Her garden and outdoor space, in summer, was delightful to behold; a lovely oasis in which to sit and chat and enjoy the fruits of her hard work. Illness took its toll but always she held her head up high and smiled her beautiful smile. Lynn, we will miss your grace, your love and that beautiful smile! I have found a poem which I feel reflects the beautiful woman that we were so blessed to have in our lives!

An Angel

By an Unknown Author

An angel lived among us,
A gift from God above.
She showered us with kindness
And shared with us her love.

She cherished every moment
With the man who was her life;
Walking hand in hand together,
Facing life with all its strife.

She loved her children dearly,
Each one a different way,
Nestled close within her heart.
Though, now, she's far away.

She's gone to live with Jesus.
But, she's here with us, today,
Smiling down on every one of us,
And telling us she's O.K.