

Victoria (Vicki) Billingsley

Vicki Billingsley of Inuvik passed away peacefully in Edmonton on May 18, 2004 at the age of 62.

Vicki was the wife of the late Douglas Billingsley, mother of Johnson Billingsley of Edmonton, Sarah (deceased as infant) and Dr. Martha Savage of Guelph. Mother-in-law and good friend of Barbara Billingsley and John Savage. Daughter of Robert J. Boyer of Bracebridge and the late Patricia M. Boyer. Sister of Patrick Boyer of Etobicoke and Alison Boyer of Bardsville.

Vicki was born and grew up in Bracebridge, Ontario. She then moved to Yellowknife in 1973 and to Inuvik in 1975. She was a partner in business ventures in Inuvik since 1978 including Home Hardware and Delta Management Associates Ltd. After the death of Doug in 1993 Vicki continued to make her home in Inuvik and to pursue her business and community interests until last November when she travelled to Edmonton for medical treatment.

Vicki was an enthusiastic supporter of Public Libraries, particularly in Inuvik Centennial Library. She served for many years on the Board of that library. She was a cantankerous character actress in seven seasons of the Inuvik Choral and Theatrical Society productions. She was active in the community and thoroughly enjoyed her time in the North. A recent highlight for her was driving the Dempster Highway to Dawson City and Whitehorse in August with long time friend Vicki Boudreau. She was the former national Chair of the Consumers Association of Canada and was interested and active in civic and political matters. She was a supporter of local charitable initiatives and local artists. She very much enjoyed the time that she spent with her many close friends in the Inuvik area.

Funeral Service was held at 1:00 pm on Monday, May 24 (Victoria Day), at Reynolds Funeral Home Chapel in Bracebridge, Ontario. Interment among five generations at St. Thomas Cemetery in Bracebridge. Memorial service will occur in Inuvik at a later date to be announced shortly. Donations may be made to the Inuvik Centennial Library Board (P.O. Box 1640, Inuvik, NT X0E 0T0). Family can be contacted through Johnson at billingsley@shaw.ca.

