



**GOSSEN,  
Joyce Marie**

Joyce Marie Gossen passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 26, in Hope, B.C. She was 71 years old.

Joyce was born in Saskatoon, SK, on March 6, 1950. She graduated from Lanigan High School and Bethany Bible College.

She will be remembered by her husband Rick, sons Jeff (Yasuyo) Gossen, Allan (Kristin) Gossen, grandchildren Karina (13), Tegan (3), and Emmett (19 months), brothers Wayne (Jan) Dick, and Rod (Holly) Dick, brother-in-law Gary Gossen, sister-in-law Lois Litz, eight nieces and nephews, and many friends worldwide.

She was predeceased by her parents, Walter and Edna Dick.

Joyce and Rick were involved in a Christian ministry for many years, working with students in Calgary, Edmonton, and Nairobi, Kenya. Later they moved to B.C.'s Lower Mainland, where they provided training and coaching to the ministry's staff. Joyce loved community involvement, serving in the school PAC, volunteering with the Valley Therapeutic Equestrian Association and the Fort Langley Museum, and singing in the Langley Community Choir. Through her involvement, she made many enduring friendships. Joyce was known as a woman of grace, joy, faithfulness and a deep faith. She formed deep personal relationships, and her unique gift of listening and encouraging opened many opportunities to offer care. She had a special love for her grandchildren, and in recent years she spent many meaningful hours with them, in person and through video chats.

A Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday, July 7 at 3 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church in Hope, B.C.