



Trudy Soyko Ellis

October 26, 2019

Ellis, Trudy Maryanne (Soyko). “Don’t let the rapture pass you by”. Words she held dear and shared so often with her family and friends. While cancer took her away too soon, her heart was always full and life never passed her by. Surrounded by family, Trudy passed away peacefully on October 26th, 2019 while under care at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in Barrie. She is pre-deceased by her parents, William and Mabel Soyko, and brother Ed Soyko. She is survived by husband and best friend, Ken Ellis; and her children, Liam (Jade) and Lada (Kevin), and grandchildren, Maeve and Fitzgerald, and her sister-in-law Pat, her niece Kim and nephews, Ted and Jon, and their families.

Trudy was born in Thunder Bay, ON and raised in Sarnia, ON where her parents owned the Vendome Hotel. It was here where Trudy’s relentless hospitable nature took shape, alongside her knack for cooking for the masses. Trudy and Ken built a life together in different communities such as Waterloo, Toronto, Scarborough, Burlington, and eventually settled in Snow Valley just outside of Barrie...recently they have taken up living half the year at their cottage in Victoria Harbour, ON.

Trudy worked at Snow Valley Ski Resort for over two decades and, together with Ken, partnered to run several ventures and businesses such as THESTUDENTSCHOOL, Summer Adventures Day Camp, Huronia Alpine Development Team and Canadian Alpine Racing Supplies. Through these ventures they worked tirelessly to help kids, families, schools and ski resorts within the community. Trudy was always active in real estate and later in life became a real estate agent; this was another example of her entrepreneurial spirit and passion for helping people.

Trudy loved music, literature, theatre, skiing, sailing, windsurfing, riding horses, the beach, and her book club (and wine). She travelled all over the world and made new friends wherever the road took her.

Two of her favourite places were Cape Hatteras and the cottage. All of these fell second in line to her love for her family, and her nature to be a mother to all. She will be greatly missed, and celebrated, by the Ellis and Soyko families and the countless people whose

lives she touched.

Friends will be received at the STECKLEY-GOODERHAM FUNERAL HOME, 30 Worsley St., Barrie, on Wednesday, October 30th, 2019 from 12pm to 3pm and 6pm to 9pm. A private family service to follow. A public celebration of life event for Trudy will be planned and details communicated in the coming weeks. In memory of Trudy donations may be made to the RVRHC – Cancer Centre or to the Children’s Aid Foundation – Simcoe Muskoka Family Connections. Online condolences www.steckleygooderham.com

Events

OCT **Visitation** 12:00PM - 03:00PM

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Steckley-Gooderham Funeral Home Worsley Street Chapel
30 Worsley Street, BARRIE, ON, CA, L4M 1L4

OCT **Visitation** 06:00PM - 09:00PM

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NOV **Celebration of Life** 02:00PM - 05:00PM

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Snow Valley Ski Resort
2632 Vespra Valley Rd., Minesing, ON, CA

Comments



“ Hi Lada and family - so sorry to hear about your mom - we only met a few times and I always thought you were two peas in a pod! Your mom will live on in your spirit for life and your kind hearted ways. My thoughts are with you and your family.

Ann (Pepin) McClure

Ann McClure - November 03, 2019 at 09:48 PM



“ Ken and family. My deepest most Heartfelt sympathies to you all. I just learned of her passing today and wonder why oh why her of all people. She was truly the most uplifting, happy go-getter I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. I'm sure she's cracking jokes and organizing and rearranging in Heaven right now! The Earth has lost a true Angel.

Annie Roberts - November 03, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Trudy's passing away Ken, our sincere condolences to you and the children. I'll remember her bright laugh and sunny disposition.
Warren and Corrie De Boer.

Warren De Boer - October 31, 2019 at 09:15 PM



“ I was devastated to learn of Trudy's passing. Can a life filled with such huge love and compassion pass away? No, Trudy was larger than life and her legacy remains. Reading through these tributes is heartening -- few people have a nature like Trudy's that embraced so many. Her love for her family, friends and community will always be an inspiration to any who have had the good fortune to know her.

My deep condolences to Ken, Liam and Lada. Your loss is immeasurable. But I know her goodness and vibrancy lives on in all of you. I know you will continue to share the Trudy magic with the world.

Amanda Lewis

Amanda West Lewis - October 31, 2019 at 09:58 AM



“ My Heart Hurts today and the sun seems less bright as I just heard the news, Trudy was a bright light in this world that will be truly missed and remembered. I will run the full gambit of emotions and will miss her. A strange and special bond as she shared every marine report I posted and will post a very special one for her today. We are all better people for she shined on us and showed us how to live. I will do as Trudy would today!

"Water on the Water Beer on the Pier"™ or in Trudy's case "Wine on the Pine"

Jeff Sinclair - October 31, 2019 at 09:19 AM



“ We call that person who has lost his father, an orphan; and a widower, that man who has lost his wife. And that man who has known that immense unhappiness of losing a friend, by what name do we call him? Here every human language holds it's peace in impotence. (Joseph Rioux)

To those like us, who lost a dear friend, Trudy, remember.....Friends are quiet angels who lift us to our feet when our wings have trouble remembering how to fly.

You have left all of us with lifetime memories Trudy.

Christine and John

christine yip - October 31, 2019 at 08:24 AM



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Roman Semenowycz - October 30, 2019 at 06:51 PM



“ Dear Ken and family. It is with a very sad heart that we send this message. We have known Trudy for almost 30 years and have such fond memories of our time spent with her . A fun happy friend who would do anything for you. We will miss her dearly. Our thoughts are with you today. Dave and Donna Mouck

Dave and Donna Mouck - October 30, 2019 at 05:40 PM



“ I have no words to really describe my feeling when I heard of Trudy's passing. She was like a breath of fresh air, a bright light shining even in the darkest of moments, force to be reckoned with and a dear friend to all those whose lives she touched. She will be missed dearly and yet her love of life will live on with those she has left behind. I am sure she will guide us all down the same path of love for her family, friends and mostly for life to be lived to the utmost with love and laughter.

My deepest condolences to Ken, her children and their families. May the wonderful memories you share be the light that will guide you though this difficult time of loss.

Stephanie & Lauri



Stephanie Todd - October 30, 2019 at 03:55 PM



“ Trudy was the sunshine that lit a dim room just by entering it. Her smile made you smile. Her sunshine and smiles will be missed here on earth but will shine brightly in heaven.



Juanita Hanney - October 30, 2019 at 02:32 PM



“ Heather Pettitt lit a candle in memory of Trudy Soyko Ellis



Heather Pettitt - October 30, 2019 at 01:52 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear of Trudy's passing. I met Trudy at a ski show event for Schools. She took me under her wing and helped me learn the ropes for schools. I was forever grateful for her knowledge and passion for the industry. She will be greatly missed by many. May she rest in peace with loads of memories to go with her.

Jayne Fisher

Jayne Fisher - October 30, 2019 at 12:59 PM



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Tani - October 30, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ Ken, Liam, Lada and family, I am so saddened to hear about Trudy. Trudy always lit up the room she was in. She was kind, loving and generous to all those around her. She always made you feel like you were the most important person in the room. Trudy was the best hugger ever. When she hugged me, I felt the love and comfort that was so much a part of who she was and what she gave to those she cared about.

I know that right now, everything is a blur. I hope that as time passes, you will find comfort in knowing how much Trudy meant to us.

Linda Oakden
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Linda Oakden - October 30, 2019 at 11:11 AM



“ Sarah Oakley lit a candle in memory of Trudy Soyko Ellis



Sarah Oakley - October 30, 2019 at 10:31 AM



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Sarah Oakley - October 30, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ Suzanne lit a candle in memory of Trudy Soyko Ellis



Suzanne - October 30, 2019 at 08:40 AM



“ Trudy was someone very special to me and my family, she was there when my parents got together, she was there when i started teaching at the ski school at snow valley. She was a light in the dark there, and she still rests with us all who knew her. My heart goes out to the family and friends who had the pleasure of knowing her, she is in a place of love now

Lizzy Downes-Thom - October 29, 2019 at 09:47 PM



“ Lada I am so sad to hear about the passing of your mom, I never had the pleasure of meeting Trudy but I have heard how wonderful she was, my thoughts are with you and yours Al Beacock

Al Beacock - October 29, 2019 at 08:05 PM



“ It was so sad to hear of Trudy's passing. Although Ken and Liam were the face of HADT we also knew that Trudy was the strength and wizard behind the venture. Doug and Jackie McKenzie send their positive energy to the family to get through this very sad time.

Douglas McKenzie - October 29, 2019 at 07:42 PM



“ Dear Ken, Liam, Lada and family. Ron and I and our family are saddened to hear of Trudy's passing. Seems so long ago that we were neighbours on Nicholson Cres. We will always remember Trudy with that happy smile and vibrant zest for life! She was one of a kind! Our thoughts are with all of you.

Ron and Dianne Gentle - October 29, 2019 at 06:07 PM



“ Jane Hubrecht lit a candle in memory of Trudy Soyko Ellis



jane hubrecht - October 29, 2019 at 05:51 PM



“ Dear Ken and kids...
Trudy was such a shining light, never saw her without a smile on her face....
Loved life and her family and don't suppose she sat down much!
So passionate about helping folks out and just taking joy in the little things.
She loved her music and I'm guessing, where're she is, she's Jammin' with the best...
First ski run of the season will be for you Captain Trudy!
Jane and Peter Hubrecht

jane hubrecht - October 29, 2019 at 05:50 PM



“ Dear Ken and all of Trudy's family; Thinking of you all in your sorrow. We were so sad to hear of Trudy's passing. We will remember her as a very happy lady and she spread that happiness around. Sending our most sincere condolences, Wayne and Theresa Anstey.

Wayne and Theresa Anstey - October 29, 2019 at 02:13 PM



“ We are so saddened to hear of the loss of Trudy. Although we had only known each other for a short time, when Trudi and Ken decided to join our community and became wonderful neighbours. Trudy was so nice, funny, welcoming, all around a “respectful straight up young lady”
Our deepest condolences to Ken and Trudy's family and friends.
Wishing all spiritual comfort in this time of loss.

Tim and Carol Hyndman

tim and carol hyndman - October 29, 2019 at 01:47 PM



“ Trudy will be remembered as Mrs. Snow Valley. She always made everyone feel so welcome and was one of the kindest. There will never be another like her. Sending our thoughts and prayers for your family.
Bob and Nancy Stephenson

nancy stephenson - October 29, 2019 at 11:01 AM



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tani - October 29, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ Prince Edward County wine tasting

tani - October 29, 2019 at 10:48 AM

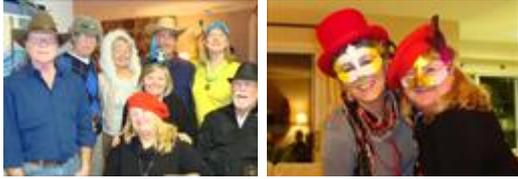


“ Such a great time we bookies had in PEC that weekend! Trudy - you are sooo loved and sooo missed

Terri Jago - October 29, 2019 at 12:45 PM



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Tani Nixon - October 28, 2019 at 10:14 PM



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Colleen Paterson - October 28, 2019 at 01:44 PM