



Vale
Gordina Ivy Douran

also affectionately known as Gugga

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of our beloved Gordi Douran.

Back in 1974 Gordi opened Ponderosa (now called Coast) and built it into what it is today. She loved gardening and she planted every tree at Coast with her most treasured spot being on the Ponderosa ridge overlooking kingston.

For over 50 years Gordi greeted guests and welcomed them back year after year. Gordi was a pioneer in Norfolk's tourism industry and was always proud to show visitors our beautiful Island.

A message now from her family.

Her love of Norfolk, its culture her Island home was so deep and strong. We speak of our beautiful Norfolk sullen being jes as tall, strong and anchored as a Norfolk Pine and that was our "Nana".

Her inner eye though was her family. Gordi was a people person and she knew each of us better than we knew ourselves. Her eye would twinkle and often she would have a word... just wink!

She loved us through and through just as we were so proud of her. Kindness to give and wisdom to teach. What a legacy!

We have been so blessed to have her as our Nanna. Thank you for us all!

The family are deeply grateful for the love, kindness and support this community has shown Gordi over her 95 years.

We give heartfelt thanks to the doctors, nurses, carers and staff up the hospital who has cared for her with so much love.

To those who travelled to be on Norfolk for her day or sent through messages of condolences, we say thank you. To everybody who has nurtured us with food, flowers and support through the week, thank you.

This beautiful farewell would not have been possible without so many special Islanders.

To Shane and the gravediggers, the Reeves crew for building the beautiful Norfolk Pine coffin, Leonard for driving the hearse, our beautiful wreath-makers and for the community for their donations of flowers. Trent for leading us in song with the sound system for our wonderful Kissard Buffett for delivering the service in exactly the way Gordi wished to be buried. We were so grateful to have Joss, Gordi's long time friend to lead John Adams Prayer. Thank you to Jodie who always has the right words for our Island service and for whom Gordi loved so dearly, for the incredible Toni who allows us to present the service with her service sheets and the special family who handed out programs at the gates. To Gordi's pall bearers who all meant so much to her and her extended family.

If anyone has been missed, please forgive us- we thank all for you.

Rocky, Suzanne, Teva, Mareeva, Kai, Tahlia and our extended family.

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