In Loving Memory of

Jocelyn Forrest





2nd March 1956 - 10th June 2023

Celebration of life

Monday 17th July 2023 1pm until 4pm Jo/Jos/Lyn were all names the family and friends called Jocelyn.

She was a beloved daughter, sister and honourary mum to Vicky

Jos had a happy and loving childhood, she was a kind and loving daughter and sister. She became a vegetarian at 11 because she loved animals so much.

She started work at 13 on the petrol pumps at her Dad's garage and was a hard worker, She gave her sister pocket money when she got her wages, generosity was how she spent her whole life.

The whole family is car and animal mad. She had sports cars when she was 18 and it was unusual to see girls driving TR6's, porsche, jaguars and Rolls Royces.

She spent 3 months living in Spain, where no one spoke English so she had to learn basic Spanish. She also lived in Italy for a few weeks.

She went to college for a floristry course and opened her own shop in Mitcham at 18. She made lots of friends and after one of her customers lost her husband, she looked after her for 30 years and she became one of the family joining us for Christmas every year and Jos did her shopping and took her out until the end. Jos helped emotionally and financially everyone who crossed her path and was in trouble. She was one of lifes carers and givers, but would not let other people help her back, she was strong, stubborn and selfless, always putting everyone else before herself.

After her florist shop she went to help her Dad run his garage in Clapham and if she heard of anyone in trouble she would personally deliver their cars back to them, she always went above and beyond for customers and always loved to hear their stories.

After her Dad retired she joined her sister and brother in law and helped run their business, she loved meeting customers and if they were sick or had lost partners she kept in touch and often visited them and dropped round little gifts or floral arrangements.

Jos met a man at the garage and had a few dates, he had two adorable children who had lost their Mum at a very young age, she of course stepped in to help and took over bringing them up, she collected them from school, cooked for them and organised their birthday parties and fabulous Christmas times. They grew up with her sisters children Dominic and Catrina and were good friends. Vicky thinks of Jo as her Mum and Jo thought of her as her daughter, Vicky has lived with the family since 2015, her beloved fiance Callum lives with us too.

When Julie started Doggy Day Care she was amazing and her love of animals shone through, all the dogs adored her. She loved going to the gate and hearing about everyone and their life and holiday stories and would beat Julie to the gate so she could chat. Jo always had a German Shepherd by her side and in later life always drove a Renault car, after her sportier years. Although she worked a 70 hour week she litter picked for the Council in her odd spare minutes.

She lived a full and busy life, looking after everyone who crossed her path, she will be missed.

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

There is a new Angel in heaven her name is Jo,
God took her, we did not want her to go.
She helped everyone, she was a star.
She gave joy to all, near or far.
We will never forget her generosity,
her caring nature was plain to see.
She did everything she could, for one and all
never worried about herself at all.
Caring and compassionate right to the end,
everyone she met became a friend.
So many people are feeling grief
that she went so quick is beyond belief.
She must be at rest finally,
helping the Angels serve the tea!
-Gloria Forrest









Appreciation

The family would like to thank you all for your kind support during this time of sadness.

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