Nelly Koziel



Koziel (van Huissteden), Nelly – age 76 of Dartmouth, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 26, 2017 at home surrounded by her family. Born December 12, 1940 in Utrecht, The Netherlands to the late Albert and Catharina (Benskom) van Huissteden. Nelly is survived by her children, Tony (Brea), Barrington Passage, Joey (Debbie), Upper Tantallon, Patricia, Calgary; grandchildren, Emma, Megan, Madeline, Abigail, Sebastian, Jakob, Keegan, Ryley; great grandchildren, Issac and Mya and special friend, Tammy Fletcher; brothers, Hans, Hennie (Marina); sisters, Lilian (Henny) Huussen, Kitty (Joop) Hoogstraten, all from the Netherlands; also many nieces and nephews, here and abroad. She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph.

Nelly worked for 30 plus years as an administrative assistant for Natural Resources Canada in the Geological Survey of Canada (Atlantic) department at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography where she has formed many lifelong friendships.

Nelly was an active and dedicated member of the Atlantic Geoscience Society (AGS) where she served in the capacity of Treasurer for the Society and several of its Committees. She served as a member on the AGS Education Committee and NS EdGEO Workshop Committee. Nelly organized and staffed the AGS booth at the NS Association of Science Teachers conference, the annual Parrsboro Rock and Gem Show and the Annual Colloquium of the AGS for 10 to 20 years. She was the Coordinator of the AGS Publications sales for 10+ years. In 2009, Nelly was presented with the AGS's Laing Ferguson Distinguished Service Award for all her years of continuous and selfless service to the Society.

She was an avid sports fan and her favorite teams were The Toronto Maple Leafs and The Toronto Blue Jays. Nelly could be found helping out her two sons on any given weekend doing home renovations. She will be sadly missed by family, friends and coworkers.

Interment was in Dartmouth Memorial Gardens.