It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Ursula Kruse at the age of 61, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer. Ursula is survived by her loving husband of forty years, Henry; daughter Astrid (Tim) of Yellowknife; son Henry (Corinne) of Yellowknife; daughter Tanja Posein (Mike) of Edmonton; son Torsten of Edmonton; sisters, Erika Kortmann (Eric) and Hilda Kretschmer of Germany; and three wonderful grandchildren, Sabine, Henry and Tristen. She also leaves behind many more family members in Germany. Ursula is predeceased by her parents August and Hildegard and brother Horst.

Ursula was born June 29, 1942 in Bochum, Germany, and immigrated to Canada in 1963 to be with her love, Henry. They spent their years together in Thompson, MB, Saskatoon, SK, and thirty-one years in Yellowknife, NT, where they took great pride in owning Kruse’s Bakery. Ursula retired to BC in 1995 and moved to Calgary in 1996. Here she spent many long hours proudly making her famous creative sandwiches for Beckers and Charlie’s Kitchen Catering. Ursula was a devoted spouse, mother, friend and mentor who always made us smile and laugh. She will be greatly missed by all.

A Celebration of Ursula’s life was held on Friday, March 26, 2004 at 2:00 pm at the Holy Trinity Family Activity Centre in Calgary, 1514-44 Street SE. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made directly to the Canadian Cancer Society.

The Miracle of Friendship

“There’s a miracle called friendship that dwells within the heart and you don’t know how it happens or where it gets its start but the happiness it brings you always gives a special lift and you realize that friendship is God’s most precious gift.”

Kruse, Ursula