

KATHY REEVE



Kathy passed away on 17th September 2004 at the age of 37.

Having grown up in Windsor Ontario, Kathy moved to North Vancouver with her daughter Amanda, in 1990. She completed her B.A. degree in Criminology at S.F.U. Soon after she started a career as a family support worker with parenting teens at the North Shore Neighbourhood House. After she was diagnosed with breast cancer, she was introduced to a few members of Abreast In A Boat. She immediately decided to join. She loved the group and became a member of the Abreast In The Cove crew in 2001.

Unfortunately Kathy's cancer returned and she was rarely well enough to paddle. She paddled in only one festival, but she made a great effort to participate in as many AIAB and crew-related activities that she could. She helped with the selling of merchandise and co-managed the Cove team for three years.

Kathy's smile and spirit were contagious and we all marvelled at her attitude. She lived every day!! Her daughter Amanda was close by. Kathy spread joy and love. She gave herself tirelessly to her community and her church. After her funeral, Amanda had inscribed on her mother's memorial stone "Let it Run" – the call a drummer makes at the end of a dragon boat race.

In June 2005 her Deep Cove crew entered the Cancer Society's "Relay For Life" in Kathy's honour. She is still part of our crew!

- Darlene Knott and Pam Robbins