

Susan Maree Godfrey 24th June 1968 - 11th April 2025

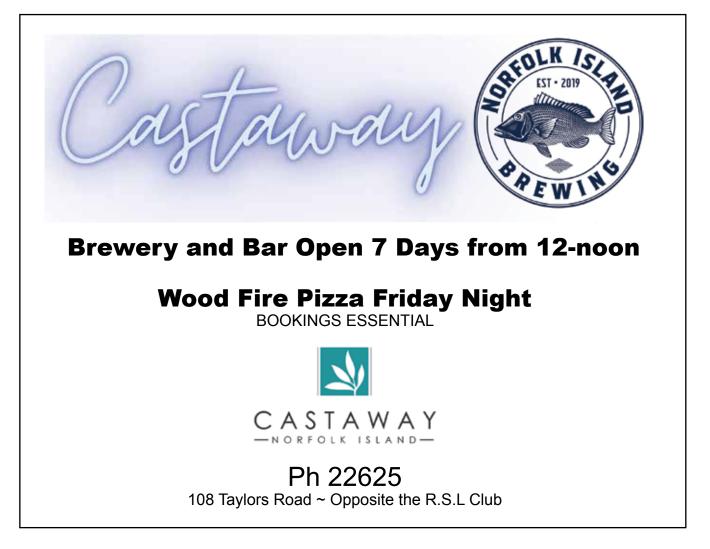
Today we are here to celebrate the life of Susan Marie Godfrey also known as Mum, Aunty, Bulla, Brud, and Sis. Susan was born in Papua New Guinea on 24 June, 1968, and was the only child to Allan and Maureen Godfrey.

Susan's parents divorced when Susan was young, and Susan lived with her father on the Gold Coast. Susan had a privileged but interesting childhood, as both parents liked to marry a lot. She went to Saint Hilda's High school where she made many lifelong friends, some of whom are here today; Lisa, Vicki, Nat and Annabel; as well as those who could not make it; Kerry Lou, Skip, Heather, Renee and Donna; and there are many friends from all over the world who could not make it here today.

Susan loved the beach, swimming, going to see bands, dancing and having fun. The Gold Coast was full of beach house parties, love, laughter, and music. Susan and her friends would have many parties and one being so big they accidently burnt the house down on Broadbeach which even made the news.

Susan got the travel bug, and with Lou and Donna came to Norfolk Island. Susan worked as a receptionist at South Pac. and would later work at the Colonial and Hillcrest. Susan decided life was not chaotic enough, so she rang her mate Bek to join her as well. Susan fell in love with Norfolk and made a lot of friends. Susan saved her money and travelled to England and America for a time but her love for Norfolk brought her back. Susan's dream was always to be a mother, and this dream was fulfilled when she had Lachie and Jordan with Neville Bigg. The boys were Susan's pride and joy, and as we know she did an amazing job raising them. Susan was also happy to be an Aunty to Tyler, Lara, Brays, Lleyton, Milli and Jd as well as her boys' friends who she would sometimes house and feed.

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Susan returned to Sydney when the boys were of an age to further educate them.

Susan also had great friends in Di, Jas and Sassy and Carla and Aunty Shell, Sara Q, Monica, Kel Q and Andrew. Susan was diagnosed with cancer for the first time in 2014 and put up a brave fight going into remission for eight years until 2021 where she was diagnosed once again and made the decision to move from Sydney back home to Norfolk Island with Lachie and Jordy. She had amazing friends in Lisa, Kerri and Vicki who would provide her with accommodation and laughs and love and memories while back and forth to the Gold Coast, as well as all her mates on Norfolk who were always there to help. Susan wanted to come home to have her final days on Norfolk in her home with her beautiful Lachlan and Jordan and her close friends by her side. Her last days were filled with laughter and love and being kept up late once again from Aunty Bek's snoring.

Susan was an amazing mother and amazing friend, the best counsellor with the wisest advice. Susan had an amazing ability to pick you up when you were down despite her own battles, you could aways find Susan dancing and singing in a kitchen at any given friend's house. Whether that was dancing in the kitchen or on the kitchen table, she would always make sure to have good time with her friends.

I think we all agree that her strength and determination defined her as being the incredible woman that she was.

Jordan and Lachie asked to have their own message read out to their mum.

Mum showed us what life should be like, always pushing us to be the best we could. Giving us a kick up the ass if needed, a shoulder to cry on, or a warm smile and a hug when she was proud. She showed us how to have a good time, often having more fun than us, like when the living room was full of us boys and we woke up at 6:30 to hear you and Mr Jacob Morgan still out the back, no sleep, laughing and shotting fireballs reminiscing of nights gone by.

To us Mum was selfless, kind, nurturing, tough, resilient and list goes on. She was constant source of love and wisdom and encouragement, and we will forever be proud to call her our mum.

We only part to meet again and we will cherish the memories we have, and will always carry you with us wherever we go. We promise to make you proud. We love you, Mum. Goodbye for now until we meet again.

Thank You

Lachlan and Jordan would sincerely like to thank the many people who have helped them through this journey.

Jodie and the wonderful team of nurses at the hospital

James and his amazing ambulance crew Jodie for the service sheets Photopress for printing Sas and Wayne for the cars Cora, Ayla, Jack and Jemima for the service sheets Leonard for being mums driver The Pallbearers for carrying mum to her final resting place Shane and the Grave diggers Robyn and the wonderful wreath makers The ladies who looked after the mound David Buffet for the service Aunty for the eulogy Tilly for her beautiful tribute Wes for leading the hymns Lions Club for the speaker Simone for the music Kieran, Shell and Kev for the live streaming Susie for behind the scenes organising Laura for her massage The Salty for being such amazing hosts

We would also like to thank Lions Club of Arthurs Vale, Natin and the Sunshine Club for your generosity. To Brogan and Kelly Q, the entire Norfolk Community and those from afar who donated to the Go Fund Me – your support and willingness to give, has more that humbled us – thank you so much.

Finally to our family, friends, care givers, all the sullen who provided food (thanks Hen), love and support we thank you from the bottom of our hearts

