

## Additional Company

Had I known back when, what I know now; there would certainly be more company for Gloria in her final resting place.

As is, I have included some hair from Dawn and myself, some of Gloria's from her hairbrush, as well as some whiskers fur & nails from Callie. Also some whiskers from Annie and I also kept a tiny tooth Annie lost that is also resting with Gloria. I lost my last tooth on November 4<sup>th</sup> 2025 and included it with the rest of the ashes (if I live long enough). Added bits of Afghan made by Gloria's Mom as well as some of her Dad's blowtorch and soldering led that he used to earn a living. Tiny tiny fragments from Gloria's Hospital Volunteer vest, Consultec vest, Elvis T shirt, Moose T shirts, her 1992 Blue Jays World Series T shirt, Fur from her burgundy winter coat, plus bits from a few garments, A few tufts from her last tooth brush, Scraping from her car, My walking stick and fire stick. Scraping from the house brick, A fragment of the nose piece from her oxygen hose that sustained her life near the end, A few leaves from the decorated (by Gloria mostly) Christmas tree we put up for a good number of years including 2025. I may have forgotten some silly items I added just to make sure Gloria had some of the things she lived with and loved on her eternal journey; fragments from the love seat, the scratching post and some odds and sods as I came across them.

I am sorry I do not have much from Cleo! I found a single cat hair on a jacket that I have not worn for years, I am sure it belonged to Cleo. Not much but its Cleo all the same. Cleo, as I have identified in her story was a wonderful member of our family and I am sure Cleo is with Gloria and the rest of the brood. I would have kept keepsakes from other members of the family to add to the company for Gloria but if there is an afterlife I am sure they are all together already. Every time I see the lovely portrait I took of Gloria I fall in love with her all over again, multiple times many, many days. Often it brings tears to my eyes, realising she has left this world forever. I know I will love Gloria eternally. I hope we reunite on our eternal journey.

Despite previous requests to be tossed over the brink of the Falls, I have now asked Dawn to put my ashes in the same spot we have put Gloria's remains. I can't think of a better way to spend Eternity than the company I will have, assuming Dawn will be able to carry out my final wish.