



## Becky DeBruyn

July 26, 2025

With heavy hearts and deep gratitude for a life well-lived, we announce the passing of our beloved mother, Rebecca Elizabeth 'Becky' DeBruyn, with her family by her side and wrapped in love at Sakura House hospice in Woodstock on Saturday, July 26, 2025 at the age of 78. Becky is the daughter of the late Howard & Helen Melinda (Dewar) Collop. Beloved wife of the late George Joseph DeBruyn (2004). Loving mother of Melanie Oepkes (John), Anne DeBruyn and the late David DeBruyn (2005). Dear grandmother of Moyra and Conor. Sister of Kathy Skinner (the Late Jim) and the late Robert Collop (Marion). We will carry forward her memory, her laughter, and her belief that there is always light ahead.

Becky previously served as the office manager at the Wallaceburg Eye Care Centre, located on Wellington Street in Wallaceburg. During her time there, she became a well-recognized figure in the community, known for her friendly demeanor and genuine care for both patients and staff.

Becky was more than a mother—she was a light, a source of strength, and the heart of our home. She lived with unwavering faith, endless kindness, and a sense of humor that could brighten any day. She believed in people, in second chances, and in holding on to hope, no matter the odds.

"Don't Stop Believin". She lived those words every day. Through life's joys and

challenges, she encouraged all of us to keep believing—believing in ourselves, in each other, and in the beauty of tomorrow. Her life was a testament to resilience and love, and that legacy lives on in all who knew her.

In honor of her spirit, we ask that you hold your loved ones a little closer today, and—just like she did—don't stop believin'.

Family and friends are invited to gather for visitation at the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg on Friday from 4 – 7 PM on Friday. The Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at Our Lady Help of Christians Church on Saturday, August 2 at 1 PM. Interment to follow in Riverview Cemetery. All are welcome to join in remembering the extraordinary woman she was. If desired, donations to Sakura House or the Canadian Cancer Society may be left at the funeral home 519.627.3231  
Cherished stories and tributes may be left for the family at [www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca](http://www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca)

# Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - July 29, 2025 at 04:04 PM

MK

Such a strong, loving lady with a infectious laugh who sent you away feeling good. She will be missed. Sorry for the loss of your mom who adored her family  
Jim and Mary Lyn King.

Mary Lyn and Jim King - July 29, 2025 at 04:36 PM

EB

Sorry to hear about Becky We went to school together and she always had a big smile at the office She will be missed

Evelyn Benoit - July 31, 2025 at 07:33 AM

CB

“ Connie Blair lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Connie Blair - August 28, 2025 at 10:13 PM

NK

“ Extending my sympathy to Becky's family (I just learned of her passing). I will miss her infectious laughter, her jokes, her travel stories, her kindness and her excellent customer service. I always looked for her orange Nissan before I went into the office! She was a ray of light....



Nanette Kewayosh - August 09, 2025 at 09:53 AM

DA

“ Miss seeing you at the eye office we enjoyed the great welcome an service an your awesome service when choosing eye glasses  
👓. RIP  
FROM ROZZ AN DORIS



DA - August 07, 2025 at 08:17 AM

DM

“ Kathy and family, we are so sorry to hear of the passing of your sister. What a great lady!



Dan and Carrie Modde - August 04, 2025 at 10:22 AM

EM

“ Elizabeth McPhail lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Elizabeth McPhail - August 02, 2025 at 06:31 PM

LN

“ *Becky made Hollin laugh so much (me as well). She was lovely person and will be missed. Condolences to Melanie, John, Moyra, Conor, Anne, and Aunt Kathy.*

*Lena and Hollin Ng*

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**Lena Ng** - August 02, 2025 at 08:07 AM

BS

“ *Condolences to Kathy and Family and to all of Becky's Family*



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**Betty Van Segbrook** - August 01, 2025 at 04:27 PM

PS

“ *My deepest condolences*

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**patricia Steen** - August 01, 2025 at 10:02 AM

JP

“ *To Becky's family, we are so sorry to hear this tragic news. she was a great person, kind, helpful and truly a great lady..Becki you will be missed. Gerard and Jackie Prentice*

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**Jackie Prentice** - July 31, 2025 at 10:00 PM

UN

“ So sorry you lost your sister, Kathy. My sincere condolences to you and all of Becky's family.



Uta Nowakowski - July 31, 2025 at 12:24 PM

WJ

“ Thank you for many years of family vacations, babysitting swaps, and loads of laughter. You will be missed.

Keeping all the family and those close to you in my prayers. 🙏



Wendy Jones - July 31, 2025 at 05:08 AM

JT

“ Dear Kathy and all of Becky's family, Our deepest condolences in your loss of Becky. May she rest in peace.



Jack and Kim Thomaes - July 30, 2025 at 11:25 PM

LT

“ Lisa Tamblyn lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Lisa Tamblyn - July 30, 2025 at 10:52 PM

TB

“ *Tim Bechard lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Tim Bechard** - July 30, 2025 at 10:12 PM

SC

“ *We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Becky always had a smile on her face, wherever she would go.*



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**Sherry & Dave Crowe** - July 30, 2025 at 09:33 PM

MD

“ *Dear Melanie and Anne, Kathy, and all of Becky's family, I am so very sorry for your loss of that vibrant, smiling, kind and caring and loving lady!!! The Acanne Optometric Office will never be the same with out Becky. You are all in our thoughts and prayers*



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**Mary Van Damme** - July 30, 2025 at 12:29 PM

BO

“ *My sincere condolences to her family. She was a lovely woman and will be missed.*

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**Becky Oliphant** - July 30, 2025 at 10:58 AM

TS

“ Todd and Nancy Sharrow lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Todd and Nancy Sharrow - July 30, 2025 at 10:39 AM

HJ

“ Henry & Barb Jaruga lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Henry & Barb Jaruga - July 30, 2025 at 08:45 AM

CC

“ My sincere condolences to the family 🙏



Cheryl Charbonneau - July 30, 2025 at 08:33 AM

EK

“ eja and kees lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



eja and kees - July 30, 2025 at 06:32 AM

FO

“ familie Oepkes lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



familie Oepkes - July 30, 2025 at 04:16 AM

CB

“ My sincere condolences to you, Melanie and Anne on the loss of  
your mother. She was a lovely lady - always positive and so  
supportive of both of you. May all of the memories you have  
collected through the years bring some comfort at this very difficult  
time. She will always be with you.

Carol Bryden - July 29, 2025 at 11:36 PM

MM

Becky's family I'm so sorry for your loss. I agree with all messages that  
have been loaded for your Lovely mom. She was a good friend at the  
clinic as well as sharing her sister Kathy during our training years at  
PGH. Your family has a had a lot of heartbreak but the two of them  
held everything together in amazing ways that you will remember. God  
bless you. Margaret Martin

Margaret Martin - July 31, 2025 at 07:39 PM

ER

“ To BECKY's daughters, her son in law,  
grandchildren and her dear sister, our  
condolences. A real shock to us! May she  
now rest in the arms of Jesus. Many of us, will  
miss her, each time we went to get our eyes  
checked!



Ed & Odra Riedl - July 29, 2025 at 10:09 PM

TH

“ Dear Kathy and all your family,  
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your sister. She sounds like  
an amazing woman just like her big sister. May she rest in peace  
with the Lord.

Sincerely  
Tracy Henry

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**Tracy Henry** - July 29, 2025 at 10:01 PM

CB

“ My Deepest Condolences to Becky's Family. I  
always enjoyed chatting with her when I went to  
get my eyes checked. I will miss her smile!



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**Cheryl Burroughs** - July 29, 2025 at 09:37 PM

DD

“ To Becky's family — I'm so sorry for your loss. Becky was a kind,  
caring, thoughtful woman with quite the sense of humour. I always  
enjoyed working with her and will definitely miss our morning chats.  
I know she will be missed by many.

Rest In Peace my friend .. ❤️  
Denise Doucet

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**Denise Doucet** - July 29, 2025 at 08:01 PM

RY

“ Rose-Marie Yazbeck lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



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**Rose-Marie Yazbeck** - July 29, 2025 at 06:25 PM

DB

“ *Deb Bradie lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Deb Bradie** - July 29, 2025 at 05:29 PM

BD

“ *Brian and Jane DeWolf lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Brian and Jane DeWolf** - July 29, 2025 at 04:32 PM

DC

“ *Donna Cowden lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*

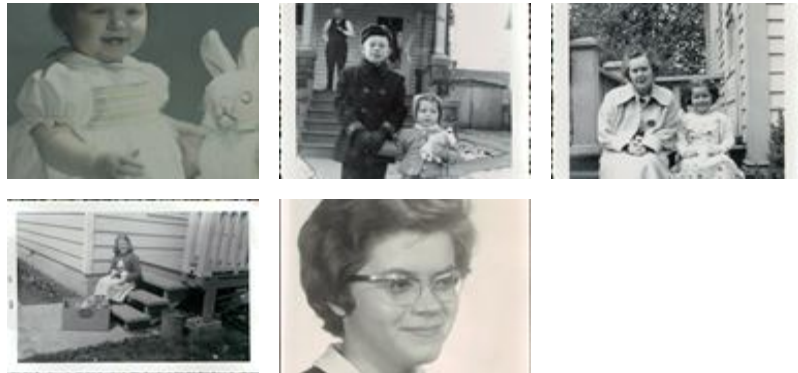


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**Donna Cowden** - July 29, 2025 at 04:27 PM



“ 80 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - July 29, 2025 at 04:01 PM



“ Pat/Gail Lucier lit a candle in memory of *Becky DeBruyn*



Pat/Gail Lucier - July 29, 2025 at 03:37 PM



“ Sharronl Fox sent a virtual gift in memory of *Becky DeBruyn*



Sharronl Fox - July 29, 2025 at 03:30 PM

TC

“ My daughter and I worked for Becky for several years. She always treated us with kindness and respect. I'm so sad to hear of her passing. May she rest in eternal peace 🙏😭

Terry Campbell - July 29, 2025 at 03:11 PM

VG

“ Vicki and Jim Glendinning lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Vicki and Jim Glendinning - July 29, 2025 at 03:07 PM

JW

“ Janis and All Wadsworth lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn

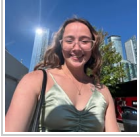


Janis and All Wadsworth - July 29, 2025 at 02:42 PM

MA

“ Kathy, am so sorry to hear of sister's death and send sincere condolences to you and your sister' family. You will so miss your soul and travel mate....

marie - July 29, 2025 at 02:12 PM



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**Kaitlyn Lafreniere** - July 29, 2025 at 01:01 PM

ST

“ *Dear Ann and family, I am so very sorry for the loss of your mom. Sending strength and hugs <3*

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**Stacey** - July 29, 2025 at 12:40 PM

DV

“ *My Sincere Condolences to Becky's family & her sister Kathy. She was a very caring person. I always enjoyed our talks when I visited the eye clinic. Rest In Peace Becky.*



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**Darlene Verhaeghe** - July 29, 2025 at 12:39 PM

FB

“ *Fred and Myrna Blake lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Fred and Myrna Blake** - July 29, 2025 at 12:31 PM

JM

“ We are sorry for your loss. We enjoyed our visits with Becky at the eye glass clinic. Sorry Kathy for your loss of your sister.  
Mike & Janice MacKinnon



Janice MacKinnon - July 29, 2025 at 12:14 PM



“ From the very first time we met, Becky & I had a connection like no other, and it grew into something more than just friends ~ we became family.  
My deepest condolences to Anne, Melanie & Kathy, family & friends  
🙏  
Peace be with you, my sweetest friend ❤️

Cat Huck - July 29, 2025 at 11:47 AM

RS

“ Sorry for your Loss to the family an friends  
❤️, will miss seeing you at eye office will miss your super service there you was a great secretary. It won't be the same .RIP Doris  
Rozz Sands



RS - July 29, 2025 at 11:42 AM

SO

“ Sandy Ouellette sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



Sandy Ouellette - July 29, 2025 at 11:41 AM

JM

“ Jeannette Mclaughlin lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Jeannette Mclaughlin - July 29, 2025 at 11:27 AM

JM

“ Jane McGill lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Jane McGill - July 29, 2025 at 11:21 AM

NA

“ Norma Authier lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Norma Authier - July 29, 2025 at 11:20 AM

MC

“ Our deepest sympathy, Becky was one of a kind, funny, quirky and beyond kind and caring. Her personal touch professionally at the eye care centre and her community work with the hospital auxiliary was always done with style and grace. Becky will be greatly missed. Mari Cole & Stan Jackson



Mari Cole - July 29, 2025 at 11:15 AM

SB

“ *Sophia Brown lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Sophia Brown** - July 29, 2025 at 11:12 AM

SB

“ *So sorry for the loss of Becky. She will be missed at the eye clinic, her family and sister Kathy.*

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**Sophia Brown** - July 29, 2025 at 11:11 AM

DD

“ *Our sincere condolences to Becky's family, she was always so kind and friendly, she will be missed*



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**Dan and Cheryl Dehens** - July 29, 2025 at 10:54 AM

TD

“ *Tracy (O'Brien) Van Damme lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Tracy (O'Brien) Van Damme** - July 29, 2025 at 10:52 AM

TM

“ Our deepest sympathy to Melanie and Anne. Becky will be so missed, she was always so helpful and informed at her position down town. God Bless her.  
Tony and Carmen Myers

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**Tony and Carmen Myers** - July 29, 2025 at 10:44 AM

MM

I met Becky when dating my husband Dr. David Matthews. When David and I married she was not only my neighbour but best friend. She was such a strong person, always positive, funny and all around great lady. I will miss you my friend. RIP. Melanie and Anne you have my deepest sympathy

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**Maryellen Matthews** - July 29, 2025 at 03:59 PM

SL

“ So very sorry on the loss of Becky. We know how much she will be missed by her family and sister and friend Kathy Sally & Brenda Lucier



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**Sally Lucier** - July 29, 2025 at 10:43 AM

BO

“ Beth O'Flynn lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



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**Beth O'Flynn** - July 29, 2025 at 10:29 AM

JF

“ Deepest sympathy. Sorry for your loss.  
Joyce Feher

Joyce Feher - July 29, 2025 at 10:22 AM

RS

“ All of us at te:find charity thrift shoppe were always happy to visit with Becky whenever she came into the store. She was a regular customer and a joy to know. We send our deepest condolences to her loved ones God bless.

re:find charity thrift shoppe - July 29, 2025 at 10:14 AM

TT

“ My sincere condolences Melanie and Anne .  
  
From your mom's backyard neighbor  
Tammy Thompson

Tammy Thompson - July 29, 2025 at 10:06 AM



“ Carolyn Moxam lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



Carolyn Moxam - July 29, 2025 at 10:01 AM

CG

“ Carolyn and Robert Garland lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Carolyn and Robert Garland - July 29, 2025 at 09:56 AM

SM

“ Sally Mahoney lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Sally Mahoney - July 29, 2025 at 09:54 AM

NO

“ We are sending our thoughts and prayers to Becky’s family. We will miss seeing her and sharing our conversations with her she has been at the eye clinic for many years. She will be missed.



Noel&ShirleyEdirisinghe - July 29, 2025 at 09:48 AM

MJ

“ Sincere condolences to all the family. She was such a kind person. Sorry to hear of her passing. May Becky R. I. P.

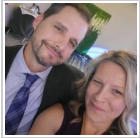
Marlene Judson - July 29, 2025 at 09:46 AM

GM

“ *garda markham lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn*



garda markham - July 29, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ *She was always so kind when I anytime id go into the office . My  
condolences to the family*

Cryston Bulckaert - July 29, 2025 at 09:25 AM

PL

“ *Becky was such a kind soul, she treated people with love and  
respect every time we visited the Eye doctor. She was gentle and  
thoughtful. Our deepest condolences to the family.*

Pam and Roger Lozon - July 29, 2025 at 09:25 AM

TS

“ *Tracy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Becky  
DeBruyn*



Tracy Shaw - July 29, 2025 at 08:56 AM

TS

“ *Tracy Shaw lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Tracy Shaw** - July 29, 2025 at 08:55 AM

SA

“ *Sarah lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Sarah** - July 29, 2025 at 08:52 AM

DH

“ *Very sorry to hear of Becky's passing. She will be missed. Dave and Vicky Hess*

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**Dave and Vicky Hess** - July 29, 2025 at 08:44 AM

MS

“ *Our deepest condolences to Melanie, Anne & their families as well as her sister Kathy. They were a great pair of travel companions & partners in crime but I'm sure Kathy was the leader there. Rest in Peace Becky.*



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**Marjory and Rick Smith** - July 29, 2025 at 08:42 AM

CH

“ Carolyn Van Haren lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



Carolyn Van Haren - July 29, 2025 at 08:41 AM

CH

“ I've known Becky for many years from the eye clinic. She was a  
very nice lady. Saddened to hear of her passing. R.I.P. Becky

Carolyn Van Haren - July 29, 2025 at 08:40 AM

JM

“ To Kathy, Melanie, Anne, and families, our heartfelt sympathy.  
John and Diana Mathany

John & Diana Mathany - July 29, 2025 at 08:37 AM

MA

“ MaryDeRoeven lit a candle in memory of  
Becky DeBruyn



MaryDeRoeven - July 29, 2025 at 08:34 AM



“ George McGaffey lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



George McGaffey - July 29, 2025 at 08:22 AM

WC

“ Our sincere condolences to Becky’s family. Always a good Neighbour on Sandra Crescent and help at the eye clinic. May Becky Rest In Peace. Verna and Wayne



Wayne and Verna Christian - July 29, 2025 at 08:17 AM

LP

“ Lauren Pettinger lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn



Lauren Pettinger - July 29, 2025 at 08:17 AM

SM

“ I am so very sorry. Becky and I worked together for several years at the Public Library. She was a ray of sunshine. May she rest in peace.



Shirley McPhail - July 29, 2025 at 07:38 AM

KS

“ *Kim Smith lit a candle in memory of Becky DeBruyn*



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**Kim Smith** - July 28, 2025 at 11:28 PM

DH

“ *Ron and I are sorry to hear of Becky passing! Condolences to all family members! Kathy will miss her sister! Hugs to you Kathy!*



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**Deb and Ron Hyttenrauch** - July 28, 2025 at 10:47 PM

JC

“ *My deepest sympathies to Kathy and all of Becky's family. May she rest in eternal peace.*



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**Janice Conway** - July 28, 2025 at 10:06 PM