Diana Vera Wilimovsky

May 13, 1926 - October 08, 2018

Threads woman extraordinaire, Diana could knit, quilt, embroider, sew and crochet circles around anyone. She leaves beautiful things behind for everyone to enjoy, wear and sleep under. Diana had an amazing sense of colour and design, drapery, pleating and folding, and made coats, graduation and wedding dresses for her daughters and dolls clothes complete with tiny button holes. She went back to school at age 79 and received a diploma in Fashion Design and Garment Construction at the Vancouver Training Institute.

She was also the first feminist any of her children met; a mentor, a leader and a guide for all of us in our lives. Diana always had our backs, was our defender and our champion. She was compassionate and loving, an excellent teacher, an avid reader and a sassy talker. Diana was much admired by her childrens high school friends as she scooted around the city

in her 1958 red MG and then in a little yellow Porsche sport coupe.

Diana Wilimovsky was born May 13, 1926 in Cleveland, Ohio to Vera Hashamova and Ned Kamburoff. She graduated in 1947 from the University of Michigan with a degree in zoology. That same year she married Norman Wilimovsky. Diana and Norman moved to Palo Alto, California in 1949 where she had daughter Claudia, followed by Laura. The family moved to Juneau, Alaska in 1956 where she gave birth to daughter Brandyn and son Rolf. The family moved to Vancouver, Canada in 1960. Diana went back to school at 40 and earned her Bachelor of Library Science at UBC, and went on to work for MacMillan Bloedels research library for the next 20 years.

Besides her children, Diana leaves her half sister Isabel and eight grandchildren who love her very much. There will be no formal memorial, but certainly raise a martini or a glass of wine in her honour.