



MARIE PINGATORE

Local contractor Mike Pingatore has volunteered his time and talents to hang a new sign in front of the Alberta House in honor of his grandmother Marie Pingatore. Marie was a volunteer at the Alberta House from the 1990s through the 2000s. She generously supported local artists by purchasing their artwork and helping at exhibits and events. She even involved her family in writing the newsletter and doing maintenance around the building. Those early volunteer opportunities and her love of the arts left an impact on Mike and the entire Pingatore family. We are so thankful for the lasting effect that Marie has had on the Sault Area Art Center.



A NOTE FROM MARIE'S SON

Marie enjoyed all the arts; painting, music, stage, and written. She went on trips to see stage plays and other displays of art that were parts of the tour. She especially enjoyed her time at the Alberta House because it brought her closer to the art. She could see and appreciate the time and creativity that it took to bring something from one's mind and put it on canvas, something you could hold or express on stage. I would say that much of it spoke to her in ways only people with that appreciation understand. She always seemed at peace there and in a place that was relaxing to the point of a retreat. - Frank Pingatore

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