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I lost my mother also my best friend on August 28 2008. She had just made her 46th birthday on August 8. She was dx with stage 4 PC on April 18. I remember her coming home from her doctors with her CAT scan report. She was devastated but still positive.

Before she was dx she had been to docs numerous times complaining of stomach pains. Nothing was ever done about it. Their explanation was ovarian cyst. She made many trips to the ER in horrible pain just to be sent home with an explanation of gas and constipation. Everything happened so fast after that ... she went from 125 lbs to 92 lbs in less than two months.

My mother was a very, very strong person with a very high tolerance of pain, but the pain she endured from this horrible disease was horrific. It hurt so bad to see my mother suffering in so much pain. Watching her cry while trying to get into a position where she didn't hurt so bad was so hard. It hurt so bad because there was nothing I or anybody else could do to take the pain away - I wish to god there was. Some may ask what about pain medication. She tried everything. It got to a point where she was so tolerant to the pain med that nothing really got rid of it for her. She ended up being put on methadone., which alone is pretty scary.

It hurts so bad to see someone you love so dearly absolutely deteriorate. Nearing the death of my mother, was a lot of big family events; a family trip to Hawaii, her birthday, a close family friend wedding. I strongly believe that my mom held on to be a part of them. I know they meant a lot to her.

I want everyone who is grieving the loss of someone with pc to know that you are not alone. This is a horrible disease. There needs to be a way to detect this disease. Nobody deserves to go through what I witnessed my own mother going through. It was terrible.

I miss her so much. I feel so sad for what she went through. Together we can find a cure or at least early detection. If this is the way the Government is keeping the Canada from getting over populated. Try preventing unsuitable parents from bringing people into this world instead of taking loved ones away from us way to early and in such a horrible way!

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