



A tribute to our dear friend Teresa Normington.

It is with a heavy heart I share the news of Teresa Normington's passing last Thursday 01/09/22. Our deepest condolences to Teresa's husband Ric, their children and their family.

Teresa was the president for many years of the Western Australian SRACA and was elected to represent WA on the Federation Sterilising Research Advisory Council of Australia.

Teresa has represented our industry on Standards Australia and was the pioneer for Australia being elected on the committee of the World Federation Hospital Sterilising Sciences committee a major milestone for our country. Teresa served on the committee for many years and was elected secretary at one stage. Teresa was nominated to be part of many projects with WFHSS including education.

Teresa had many friends in the sterilising industry from all states and territories in Australia. In addition Teresa had many friends with our trade representatives and was always well respected.

I had the pleasure of working with Teresa on the FSRACA being the NSW representative. We all loved working with Teresa she was such a wealth of information & knowledge. I remember when I attended my first meeting and was informed I was the new FSRACA president the terror on my face must have been priceless. I remember the cheeky laugh Teresa gave me but I felt she would be a wonderful help and friend and I was correct she was a great mentor. The committee said I had nothing to worry about they would all help me and they did. We had a fantastic team and all worked in collaboration for many years we all become very good friends. Together we even managed to have Australia's first World forum. I'm sure Teresa worked hard in the background to convince the WFHSS to venture to the land down under. I remember sitting in the meeting room with Teresa when they announced Brisbane Australia had won the bid for the 2016 world forum, we were so excited we couldn't wait to tell our committee members especially QLD as they had put in so much work on the bid. It was another Milestone.

Working with Teresa was always fun, we all travelled the world to experience different forums together and we even got to meet Ric her better half as Teresa would fondly say. We all loved Ric he was warm, cheeky and full of fun and adventure. I remember he even got to ride on tractor with Joyce to the City of Antalya in Turkey, I remember Teresa and I standing there watching them venture off and having a good laugh because we knew Ric was going to have an experience he would never forget shopping with Joyce.

We went to many different countries with Teresa and Ric and always had a great time.

On a personal level every one of us who knew Teresa and worked alongside her whether things were going well or badly will remember her with great affection. When all is said and done, however much you like your work, it's the people that you meet that really matter and colleagues like Teresa are something very special; you don't come across many of them and when you do, they leave a lasting impression.

From FSRACA Committee, Lynne Noring and all your many friends in the sterilising Industry. Teresa we're really going to miss you, Rest in Peace our friend you will always be in our hearts.

Thank you to Lynne Noring for this beautifully written tribute on behalf of the FSRACA Executive Committee.