## In Memoriam: Lori Bateman

Quintessence Publishing has lost a dear friend and valued colleague in the passing of Lori Bateman. Lori was part of the Quintessence family for over 30 years and retired in 2022 as the director of journal publications. While her retirement was cut short due to her lung cancer diagnosis, she still got to enjoy some time in her garden, in yoga class, and with her daughter, Anna.

During her time at Quintessence, Lori developed invaluable relationships with our authors and editors-in-chief as well as with industry partners, and she leaves a legacy in the journals she helped to build: The International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants, the Journal of Oral & Facial Pain and Headache (formerly Journal of Orofacial Pain), The International Journal of Periodontics & Restorative Dentistry, and The International Journal of Prosthodontics. She also had an indelible impact on countless staff, including the many editors she developed to work alongside her as well as others who have come and gone over the years. She planted the seeds for a department built on thoughtfulness, care, and of course editorial precision, and those seeds have taken root and continue to sprout in her absence.

For the staff at Quintessence, Lori was a colleague and a friend, but for me personally, Lori was a heart and a compass. In business, there are always the hard decisions that need to be made, but Lori helped me to temper them with empathy and understanding for our editors-in-chief, our contributors, and our authors. Lori cared so much for the people she worked with.

Lori will always be part of our Quintessence family, even if she is no longer with us. She will be remembered as a sharp mind, a kind soul, and a trusted friend. Rest in peace, Lori.

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