

Tributes flow after sudden death

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TRIBUTES have poured in for the wife of a well-known councillor after her sudden death sent shockwaves throughout the community.

Cr Rob Pyne's wife Jenny Pyne died early on Saturday morning after a fall.

The former Cairns state MP took to social media to express his sadness.

"It was unexpected and she did not suffer. It was her heart. She took a fall and in a couple of hours she was dead," he said.

"Jenny always filled our hearts with love and pride."

She married Cr Pyne when



she was just 19 years old, knowing she would have to care for him. Cr Pyne is a quadriplegic after he suffered a spinal cord injury in 1991 during a diving accident when he was 23 years old.

"More recently she was a source of great inspiration for her journey of weight loss and fitness," Cr Pyne said in his post.

"My life was empty before I met her. My life is empty now."

His tribute has had more than 800 comments on Facebook.

"I'm so sorry Rob, my thoughts are with you and Kat. Jenny was truly a beautiful person with the kindest heart, she will be missed so much. Sincere condolences Rob, Kat and families," Susan Devitt wrote.

"My condolences to you Rob and to your family, this is such sad news, I was talking to Jenny yesterday morning and now she is gone. God rest her soul," St John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church priest father Menelaos Hatzoglou commented.

"I dealt with her a lot in a previous job. She was so lovely. Thinking of you Rob. I'm sorry for your loss," Kyra Fowler said.