

Nicky & Sue Perkins – Biography



Nicky & Sue are strong proponents for same-sex marriage and equality for gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered persons. Over the last few years, they have spoken in support of these issues publicly. They found themselves providing interviews and pictures for the recent Federal Government’s decision to allow same-sex marriage. They were also interviewed during the Justice Committee’s recent visit to Halifax.

They proudly celebrated their 20th anniversary in May 2003. This was a very happy milestone that they were happy to share with friends and the media.

Nicky & Sue were awarded the “2002 Pride Award” from Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church for “outstanding Christian service in the community in acknowledgement of their courage they have shown in being visible in their faith in the struggle for equality for same-sex relationships”. They were members of the committee who made up Safe Harbour’s Pride float and participated by riding on the float during the parade.

In 2001, Nicky & Sue were visible members of Safe Harbour’s 10th anniversary committee; providing the media with interviews. On June 4, 2001 they were one of the 1st couples to sign up for the Registered Domestic Partnership in the province of Nova Scotia. This was a big step for them as this was the first time they had publicly spoken in favour of same-sex marriage.

On May 10, 1997 Nicky & Sue celebrated their Holy Union ceremony at Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church with the support of their family and friends.

In 1996, they finally came “Out” of the closet after 13 years. They had found a church that accepted them for who they were and became members shortly thereafter. They have both served on the Board of Directors of Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church and believe in the spiritual growth this church provides.

1960 – Nicky was born in London, England. She grew up in and went to school in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. She spent five years in Ottawa while attending Carleton University and working after graduation. She returned home to Halifax in 1983 where she fell in love with Sue. They started living together a short time later. She works as a Trainer and Auditor for a major retailer.

1959 – Sue was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She grew up in and went to school in Halifax, Nova Scotia. An old schoolmate of Nicky’s, with whom Sue worked, introduced Sue to Nicky in 1981. Sue went back to school full-time in 1993 and was awarded an Outstanding Achievement Award upon graduating with honours in Microcomputer Business Applications. She works as a Fund Accounting Specialist for a major life insurance company.