



Judith Mary Lang

September 28, 1945 - May 31, 2019

Judith Lang, 73, of Traverse City, passed away on Friday, May 31, 2019 surrounded by family and friends after a long battle with lung cancer. Judi was born September 28, 1945 in Detroit to Ed and Mary Marguerite (Varga) Lang. She is survived by cousins Larry (Virginia) Lang, Tom (Kristine) Varga, Dan (Mary) Varga and Victoria (Bruce) Leiman. Judi also leaves behind many second cousins, as well a numerous friends around the globe.

Judi moved to Traverse City upon retiring from a long career with the Central Intelligence Agency where she served as a operations officer. Throughout her career, she had numerous postings in Washington DC and at embassies around the world, which fueled her love of travel and adventure.

After returning to Traverse City, Judi became involved in many community organizations, including the Jesuit Friends and Alumni Association and as patron of the National Writers Series and the International Affairs Forum. Judi loved all animals and was a staunch supporter of animal welfare causes locally and throughout the world.

Services will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 11 am at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Traverse City.

Comments



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Judith was an amazing person that I will truly miss. I meet her while working at Martineks jewelry. I always enjoyed it when she came it for a repair or battery change. I will miss her stories from her travels and life experiences.

Kathy Warner - June 03, 2019 at 04:25 PM



“ Judith was a valued friend and colleague. She devoted her career to public service in some very challenging places, at times dangerous, but to Judith always interesting. She was a delight to know and she maintained a dignity and good cheer right until the end.

Jack Segal - June 02, 2019 at 09:21 PM



“ We first met Judith at the National Writers Series events, which she generously supported and attended loyally. We became friends and felt honored when she invited me, Doug and Will, our son, into her home. It was filled with beautiful treasures that she had collected from her assignments around the world. Judith was an involved citizen wherever she lived—I recently learned that she was a wonderful supporter of animals in Bahrain. I will remember Judith as one of the most intelligent women I've met—engaged with global affairs, loved to read, loved to connect like-minded people and collected people and interesting stories. She was independent and truly content.

Anne Stanton - June 02, 2019 at 10:53 AM



“ Judi was a longtime and loyal Patron of Traverse City's International Affairs Forum. Her incredible experiences overseas contributed to many of our programs and provided a depth to discussions which was extremely valuable. On a personal level, she was a dear friend who, despite the intense frustration of having her life cut short much too soon, retained her wit, her kindness, and her joy of life. She will be deeply missed. Judi, we salute you and will remember fondly your enthusiasm and zest for the world. Karen Puschel Segal

karen puschel segal - June 01, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ Judi and I served on the Board of our Association. She was a wonderful President for us. We became good friends and I loved to listen to her stories from her years with the CIA. We miss her greatly. Lynn and David Basler

Lynn Basler - June 01, 2019 at 02:26 PM



“ My husband and I got to know Judi about 5 years ago through the Jesuit Friends and Alumni Network in Grand Traverse. Just last week we talked about the upcoming Jesuit and Friends summer event and she asked if we could find her a ride if she couldn't drive herself. She said she got to know the Jesuits through her work with the CIA although she never said exactly how. She loved to discuss issues--both church and state and always had a unique and insightful perspective. We will miss Judi. Norm and Cathy Schmitt

Cathy Schmitt - June 01, 2019 at 11:44 AM