



Marcia Jeanne Bulmer Manseau

October 16, 1944 - October 6, 2015

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After a twenty-three year long and gallant battle with Multiple Sclerosis, Marcy Manseau peacefully succumbed, surrounded by her family on October 6, 2015.

Marcia Jeanne Bulmer was born to Edgar Gerrard and Jeanne Smith Bulmer, in Ottawa, Ontario on October 16, 1944, while her Father was serving in the RCAF. She grew up in Oakville, Ontario attending schools there, before graduating from High School in Windsor.

After attending Wayne State University, Marcy worked for American Airlines in Detroit and Washington, D. C. before moving to Traverse City in 1972. In Traverse City, she embarked upon a new career as a travel agent, first, briefly, with MTA, and then for a long career with Viktor Weyand Travel. She retired from Andrew Kan Travel in 2000. Marcy was a travel expert, who had been everywhere, and delighted in sending her hundreds of loyal clients all over the world to enjoy the experience as much as she did.

Her other "career" was as a political operative, working on, or chairing many State, County, City, and School Board campaigns. An unrepentant liberal, Marcy was a loyal Democrat, but also worked for candidates in non-partisan races, as long as they held to the same beliefs that she did!

She enjoyed good company, good food and wine, the Sixth Street Bridge Club, and her weekly Wednesday lunches with her many friends, where the latest political foibles were happily dissected and commented upon. Marcy was never shy in stating her opinion and, while her volume may have diminished in the last couple of years, her fervor never did.

Marcy is survived by her husband Fred Nelson, her two sons, Jamie (Karen) Wygle and Ted (Mitch Anderson) Manseau, her brother John (Tina) Bulmer, his Children Curt (MJ) Bulmer, Krista Bulmer, and Riley (Billie Jo) Bulmer. Also surviving are her sister-in-law Martha Blenkorn, her daughters Sara and Leighann, and Fred's brother Tom (Darlene) Nelson, and sister Virginia(Nancy Busch) Nelson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Penny Wygle, her brother-in-law Alan Blenkhorn, and her first husband Joseph Manseau.

As per Marcy's wishes, cremation has taken place, and there will be no formal service. A visitation will be held at Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral home on Thursday, October 8 from 5 to 8 PM.

Memorials may be directed to the Father Fred Foundation, or to the NMC Foundation.

The family is being served by Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Events

OCT **Visitation for friends and family** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

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Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home

305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

Comments



“ It was 45 years ago when I had the daily good fortune to work with Marci for about 5 years. I learned from her daily, about doing your work well, but mostly about life and relationships; about competence, but also about kindness, a caring connectedness, and a hearty laugh that came often and brightened the day. Her sharp mind and big heart enriched a great many of us. I am better for having known her and am grateful to Fred for having been there for her.

Jeff Krida - October 09, 2015 at 05:28 PM



“ Marci loved the song American Pie. Every time I hear it I still think of her. My friend Joe Bragley and I played bridge with she and Joe. We kept a running score and we never managed to catch them. Marci and I always drank whiskey sours and the boys beer. What a wonderful person she was. Schiela Weir

schiela weir - October 08, 2015 at 12:46 PM



“ My deepest regrets to the whole family. Being a childhood friend of Marcia and Penny was my fondest memory of that time. We all lived on the Sixth Line in Oakville and we stay friends until we all married and moved away. So glad I was able to see Marcia several years ago and catch up on our lives. Was so lucky to have met Ted but never saw Jamie again since he was a baby and visited me in St. Catharines with him Mom and Dad. If any-one wants any information about Marcia or Penny when they were young - do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is: arnya_jones@hotmail.com
Such a sad day but luckily Marcia met Fred who I believe is the most loving and giving man I know as he looked after Marcia for such a long time when she was ill, and afforded her the opportunity of living such a full and wonderful life.

My thoughts and prayers to you all. Arnya (Banfield) Jones

Arnya Jones - October 08, 2015 at 09:11 AM