



Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman

July 12, 1940 - September 22, 2019

Judith "Judy" M. Schuman, 79, of Duluth, MN passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with Lewy body dementia on Sept. 22nd. She was surrounded by her children and grandchildren with her beloved Minnesota Vikings on TV in the background (to which they pulled out a fantastic win for her).

She was born on July 12, 1940, in Keewatin, MN to John P. and Slava (Jackovich) Muhar. She graduated from Keewatin High School, attended Hibbing Community College and then went on to Bemidji State University.

Judy had a love for music and played the piano whenever she could and also sang for many years in the church choir. While attending Hibbing Community College she got a "gig" that she would talk about for the rest of her life. She was asked to sing in a little back up group, exactly 3 lines, at a couple of local county fairs with a young and upcoming musician from Hibbing, Minnesota named Robert Zimmerman, who later became the famous Bob Dylan. Up until the last week of her life despite the dementia, if you asked her who her favorite musician was, the answer was always "My Bobby Dylan".

In 1964 while standing up for her best friend in a wedding, she met the love of her life, Roy Schuman who was in that same wedding. They were married a year later in 1965 and moved to Charleston, South Carolina where he was serving in the U.S. Navy. Both of their children were born in Charleston.

Upon Roy's separation from the Navy, they moved back to Duluth, MN, where Judy had an amazing 30 year career in Hospital Administration at St. Luke's hospital.

In 2002, Judy and Roy bought a retirement home in Green Valley, AZ, where they enjoyed the beauty of Minnesota in the summers and wonderful temperatures and mountains of Arizona in the winters with many fabulous getaways to their favorite place in Hilton Head, South Carolina. During this time, Judy served as the treasurer of the Green Valley, AZ, Minnesota Club and met so many wonderful people that would become their dear friends.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents; and husband, Roy, who passed away in 2010.

She is survived by her son, David (Terri) Schuman; daughter, Kelly (Mark) Vavra; brother, Jack (Jan) Muhar; four grandchildren that she was so very proud of, Nate and Sydney Schuman and Delaney and Claire Vavra; and her two wonderful nieces, Alexandra and Caitlin Muhar. She was adamant that we call out all of her cousins as they were so close throughout life (SMILE).

On behalf of Judy's family, we would like to thank the amazing staff at BeeHive Memory Care in Duluth, Minnesota, who took such great care of her this past year (especially Sydney Schuman who at a very young age had to distinguish between grandparent and patient), as well as her very special friend who we are convinced has a first class seat in heaven (all drinks included), Mary Jo Lapcinski.

AN OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION OF LIFE at Judy's request will be held on Saturday, October 5th, from 2-5 pm at Ridgeview Country Club, 700 W. Redwing St. Duluth. She loved a good old fashioned "get together" and loved watching her golf every weekend.

A private burial service will be held for the family at Sunrise Memorial Park prior to her celebration of life.

Cemetery

Sunrise Memorial Park Cemetery

4798 Miller Trunk Hwy
Hermantown, MN, 55811

Events

OCT 5 **Celebration of Life** 02:00PM - 05:00PM

Ridgeview Country Club
700 W. Redwing St., Duluth, MN, US, 55803

Comments



“ Dave and family and Kelly and family
So sorry to hear about the death of Judy
I have so many happy memories of time spent with her - Green Valley , Hilton Head ,
trip to Las Vegas.
I will miss her and feel so lucky to have her as a friend.
Joanne Guillaume

Joanne Guillaume - October 05, 2019 at 12:15 PM



“ From Jim and Sharon Karalus and family purchased the Fields of Europe for Spring
for the family of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman.



From Jim and Sharon Karalus and family - October 02, 2019 at 04:48 PM



“ Dear Jack and Jan,

I am sorry to read of the loss of your sister/ sister-in-law. She looks like a delightful
person. I wish I'd met her. My condolences.

Jean Hoshal

Jean Hoshal - October 01, 2019 at 09:12 PM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman.



September 30, 2019 at 03:54 PM



“ Dean & Deb Miller lit a candle in memory of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman



Dean & Deb Miller - September 28, 2019 at 10:44 PM



“ Dave and family and Kelly and family. Dean and I were so very sorry to hear about Judys passing. She was the most wonderful, caring and kind neighbor when she lived on the Washington Rd and she always had and always will have a very special place in our hearts. We were very blessed to have had Judy a part of our lives. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers and sending Hugs.

Dean & Deb Miller - September 28, 2019 at 10:43 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman.



September 28, 2019 at 08:06 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman.



September 26, 2019 at 10:19 AM



“ Dave and Family, we are so very sorry for your loss. The last time I saw your mom she was engaged in an activity at Bee Hive that included singing and waving a scarf and you could tell she was absolutely delighted to be a part of it. Please know that you are all in our prayers. Kim & David Hileman

Kim & David Hileman - September 25, 2019 at 02:03 PM



“ Graybar Electric purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Judith "Judy" Marie Schuman.



Graybar Electric - September 24, 2019 at 05:10 PM