



Christina Marie Sever

June 27, 1945 - August 3, 2018

Christina Marie Sever was born on June 27th, 1945 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and passed away at 12:25 pm on August 3rd, 2018 in Corvallis, Oregon. Her many gifts to the world include three children and seven beautiful grand-children, and her life influence is evidenced in her family's dedication to music, dance, art, food, and nature, all things that flourish in the presence of love.

Christina was an activist for peace and thoughtful discourse her entire life. She was both smart and kind, diligent and generous, decisive and inclusive, truthful and patient. She was an editor, a Russian translator, a gardener, a teacher, an intellectual, a runner, a seamstress, a singer, and a life-partner of 47 years to her husband, Stephen. She grew her own everything, and canned most of it for her family and friends. She lived on the Ghost Ranch, worked on the South Side of Chicago in the late 60's, participated in the Ashland Shakespearian festival in the 70's, and was a part of Jesse Jackson's rainbow coalition and Amnesty International in the 80's. She lived an inspired life, and she inspired others, especially her children, to live out their dreams.

Christina is survived by her son Matthew and his wife Kathie and their children Ramona and Arlo, and by her son Gareth and his wife Robyn, and their children Lilli, Sanoii, and Makoa, and by her daughter Amanda and her husband Nathan and their children Magnolia and Finn, and by her three siblings, Bill, Ken, and Catherine. Her life will continue to bless this world through all those she touched.

Please contact the family for news regarding a memorial service.

Comments



“ I just learned of Christina's passing. I had the opportunity to get to know her at American Translators Association conferences and through our joint work as copyeditors for our Slavic division's newsletter. I was fortunate to be her roommate at a couple of conferences over the years. She was a lovely soul - gentle, kind, principled, with a good sense of humor. We will miss her. I extend my heartfelt condolences to her family.

Jen Guernsey - October 10, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ Steve and family,

We were shocked to hear of Christina's passing. Remembering her dedication to Sister Cities and all those good times.

Take care and hope to see you around town.

John and Mary Dean

John Snelling - August 25, 2018 at 01:34 PM



“ Dear Steve, Matt, Gareth, Amanda and all your family:
I am deeply saddened by the loss of Chris, your beloved wife and mother. All our family grieves with you. We have fond memories of spending time with your family as all our kids were growing up. Many years later, when Jerry and I were hiking the Pacific Crest Trail in Oregon, Steve and Chris picked us up after one of our treks. We visited MacKenzie Bridge and spent a couple of enjoyable hours with Br. Daniel. Later that day, at your home in Corvallis, Chris soaked and washed our feet, dried them lovingly, and put lotion on them. That was good for our feet that had hiked a lot of miles. But it was even better for our hearts. I will never forget that moment. You are all in my prayers.
-Pat Ellsworth

Pat Ellsworth - August 12, 2018 at 05:37 PM



“ Dear Steve and family, I was so saddened to read of Christina's passing. You have all weathered some major storms and plenty of rainbows in this journey. I think of her fondly, and will always remember her tenacity, strength of character and her laughter. I wish you all the peace your hearts can hold. With continuing prayers, Linda Gelbrich



Linda Gelbrich - August 07, 2018 at 05:16 PM