



Georgine Thompson-Sanders

January 16, 1942 - March 16, 2018

Georgine Thompson-Sanders died peacefully in the early hours of March 15, 2018. At her passing she was surrounded by the loving caretakers of Conifer House in Corvallis.

Georgine was born in Lansing, Michigan, on January 16, 1942.

Georgine was a 1964 graduate of Michigan State University and a 1968 graduate from the school of Social Work at the University of Illinois, Chicago.

She was employed for 30 years at the Oregon State Mental Health Clinic and OSU Counseling Center. In 1978, she was named Oregon Social Worker of the Year.

Georgine became a member of Grace Lutheran Church in 1969 and remained active in the congregation after her retirement in 2008. She has been widely acknowledged for her contributions to the ELCA both locally and throughout the Oregon Synod.

Georgine is survived by her husband and long term domestic partner, Raymond Sanders. She is also survived by two brothers, Russ and Charles Hecko; two nephews; one niece; and their children, who reside in Hasslett, Perry, and Cheyboygan, Michigan.

A celebration of her life will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018, at Grace Lutheran Church, 435 NW 21st St, Corvallis.

Donations in Georgine's name can be made to Luther House, Oregon State University Lutheran Ministry.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR **24.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Glendale Cemetery
2500 Mount Hope Rd.
Okemos, MI

Celebration of Life

MAR **26.** 1:30 PM (PT)

Grace Lutheran Church
435 NW 21st St
Corvallis, OR 97330

Tribute Wall

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We have many wonderful memories of time spent together including vacations in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula with extended family. She will always be in our hearts.

We will be having a Graveside Service on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 2:00pm at Glendale Cemetery, 2500 Mount Hope Road, Okemos, Mi. with lunch following. All are invited to attend.

The Hecko Family

The Hecko Family - March 21, 2018 at 07:46 PM

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“ At the happy occasion of Georgine's retirement party from O.S.U. her friends and peers spoke fondly of her academic and personal successes throughout her career as she moved quietly through life. But, she had a wonderfully funny side to her too that I eventually came to know as well.

After working for 31 years together at Student Health Services and being her friend I will miss her greatly as I know many of our other co-workers will as well.

Love and condolences to all of Ray and Georgine's family at this sad time.

Judy McCann

Judy McCann - March 18, 2018 at 01:42 PM

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