



Marcile "Marcy" Woelfel

January 24, 1927 - August 3, 2020

Marcile (Marcy) Woelfel January 24, 1927- August 3, 2020 widow of Dr. Julian Woelfel, DDS. Survived by three sons, Bradford (wife Margo), Jack Wolf (aka Barry Woelfel) Jay Bryan (wife Kristy) A proud graduate of Capital University she then worked for the Civil Service in City Hall downtown Columbus when Jim Rhodes was mayor. She was grateful for her upbringing in a small rural community but loved to and did travel and at times even lived abroad with her husband, while he was a guest professor at Universities in Japan, Taiwan, Brasil, and England. More traveling included trips across the United States and to most corners of the world from New Guinea, New Zealand, Australia, India, China, Easter Island, virtually all of Europe, Central and South America, Turkey, Egypt, South Africa... Always adventurous and active she was in Cuba the day Castro took over and later became the oldest to ever zip line across one rain forest. Despite these travels, she devoted and was recognized for decades of service in Columbus, becoming the first recipient of the Volunteer Service Award from The Ohio State University International Education Office for 20 years' service as coordinator of activities for international student, scholars and Faculty families. This program helped wives and families of international students attending OSU, providing information, English classes, weekly meetings and child card; all this she guided with friendship and, hospitality, creating cross-cultural experiences to promote understanding and ideally world peace. She also received the City of Columbus Mayor's Award for volunteerism for the above OSU service and for participation in the United Nations International Festivals and Columbus City schools' international program. In later years she and her husband devoted similar energies to their other hometown, Wellsville, New York, and to restoring the family ancestral house, THE PINK HOUSE. She died quietly at her home only days after being diagnosed with a, at her age, inoperable condition, and leaves behind friends from all over the world as well as family and extended family who she would tell, "You know I will love you forever."

Memorials will be Held for Marcile in Columbus and Wellsville at a later date due to current travel restrictions. Donations can be made in her name to the David A Howe Public Library, Wellsville, NY. If you wish to earmark them for The Monday Club, that can be done there as well. Condolences may be made to the family at www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com

Comments



“ Brad, Barry, and Jay, I am sorry for your loss. I remember her as being very gracious . Brad, please contact me at pstick@live.com

Philip M Stickney - August 26, 2020 at 07:47 AM



“ We knew Marcy from OSU photo society & as a neighbor. She was an good friend & will be missed.

Valaree & Larry Kennedy

Lawrence Allan Kennedy - August 11, 2020 at 04:16 PM



“ We are deeply saddened to hear Mrs. Woelfel 's passing. Among the unforgettable memories, especially when Dr. and Mrs. Woelfel visited Japan and went to a hot spring, we spent two years in Columbus, and the wonderful PINK HOUSE. We have countless memories with them. Whenever we visited her and go home, she waved her hand until we couldn't see the car, no matter under scorching sun or heavy snow it was. We will never forget the scene at that time. She was such a gentle lady. One treasure has disappeared from us today. But in our hearts, your smile shines forever.

Yoshi and Hisano Hagiwara

Yoshi and Hisano Hagiwara - August 10, 2020 at 11:00 PM



“ I was a member of International Wives Club for several years when my boys were little and before I returned to work. A wonderfully rewarding experience for both the foreign wives and us Americans! Many of the wives were young, first-time mothers, and/or with little English, a bit scared and shy. Marcy "mothered" them all, with a hug, a huge smile, kind words, or introducing them to someone from their country. I felt "mothered" myself in her presence. The programs were always interesting and varied. Her energy and love for people seemed boundless. Marcy surely lives on in the memories of many international people around the world, and you can be proud of her accomplishments and of how many lives she touched in a positive way. I wrote Marcy a thank-you letter several years ago, but unfortunately by that time she had moved out of Columbus and it was returned to me. Karen Thimmes, Columbus

Karen Thimmes - August 10, 2020 at 10:41 AM



“ I am sorry for the passing of Marcile Woelfel. I remember my trips to the Pink House and to Rushford Lake where Julian and Marcile had a cabin. She lived a good long life.

Douglas Chapman



Douglas Chapman - August 09, 2020 at 05:24 PM



“ I had the pleasure of doing Marcile's hair each summer while she was in Wellsville. I always got a kick out the fact she loved Polly Wog Holler and loved taking her summer quest there. She had such a great sense of humor. that I also saw in many other ways that only she and I shared. My husband, daughter and grandchild had the pleasure of tea and tour at the Pink House which I will always cherish. She was a large part of this community and will always be remembered. So happy that I got to see her the last time she was here. She was always on a mission. Loved her to pieces. Barb Graves

Barbara Graves - August 09, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ I dreamed many decades of visiting the Pink House. We drove by so many times talking of its beauty and charm in our wonderful community of Wellsville. One day Marcile asked me to assist her with a history program at the Monday Club in the David A. Howe Library. After meeting Marcile and Dr. Woelfel she invited my wife and I to tea the next week. Upon acceptance she said, “Invite 10 of your history friends to come with you so we can have Tea for Twelve”! She had the huge dining room table spread, Pink House silver in place and a slice of pumpkin pie awaiting us all and I had my first tour of the residence. We last met when she brought the ACHS Museum a framed picture of the Pink House in August 2019, which proudly resides there today. In the short number of years that we knew her, we learned to love her and will miss her. Our prayers and love to her family and Rest in Peace Marcile.

Ron & Gloria Taylor

Ron Taylor - August 09, 2020 at 07:42 AM



“ Julian and Marcile were the most wonderful people and I had the most wonderful conversations with both of them over the years. Marcile always asked about my daughters and granddaughters and what they were doing - she cared about Ida and I and she will be missed. Julian and Marcile were the most gracious hosts and I have the most wonderful memories since I first met them.

Jose Cardenas - August 08, 2020 at 06:51 PM



“ I'm so sorry, Marcie will be missed so much. She was such so kind and such a joy to be around.

With Sympathy, Ann Barnes

Ann Barnes - August 08, 2020 at 04:08 PM



“ I never knew your Mother but I have always heard of the Pink House and the family history. Many at the First UMC here in Wellsville remember your parents fondly. Our condolences and prayers are with your family during this time. I have only been pastor at Wellsville for a year and a half but feel blessed by all the families who crossed our paths over the years including your parents.

In Christ

Pastor Ron Isaman

Ronald V Isaman - August 08, 2020 at 01:00 PM



“ So sorry She was a wonderful person and so kind to me and my oldest daughter. They shared a love of Victorian houses, She will be missed by many and remembered fondly.

Betsy Orlando - August 08, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ Julian and Marcile were such gracious hosts and such humble people. We would never had known of their many accomplishments had we not read this obituary. We will treasure the many wonderful memories of times spent with them and the keepsakes she shared of the pink house.

Walt/Phyllis Dennis - August 07, 2020 at 05:18 PM



“ Thank you! Kristy Woelfel

Kristy Woelfel - August 17, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ There are so many good memories of our times with Marcie and Julian, it is hard to pick one! But I think the one that makes me smile the most is the day she met my cousin’s husband Ken. Ken was a tall, good looking guy from Texas with a very Texan accent. As the men sat visiting, Marci leaned over to me with a twinkle in her eye and whispered, “he is one good lookin” cowboy!”
We always loved her spirit and her great sense of humor. Our time with both she and Julian was precious. Last year as we picked her Up for dinner the first evening, she came out to the car with her walker, hustling right along. When we got the to restaurant she handed the walker to my husband and ran up the stairs faster than I did! It made me smile as I thought of her energy and poise. What a sweet little lady she was.
To her family, I say thank you for sharing her with us! We are so very sorry for your loss. She was an incredible person and will be missed for many many years to come. Some people have a light in this world that shines on long after they are gone - that was our Marci!

Bonnie Hallett and Peder Hancher - August 07, 2020 at 04:08 PM



“ Aunt Marcile was a wonderful hostess. Our family will always have wonderful memories of her & Uncle Julian’s legendary Thanksgiving gatherings. We always had a small ceramic turkey filled with nuts & m&ms with our name on it showing us where to sit. At Christmas they always had their giant, carved Native Man from Papa New Guinea festively decorated with twinkling Christmas lights. Aunt Marcile always had wonderful stories about the items they collected from their travels around the world. Their great nephews (our boys) were always fascinated with their African Mask collection, Uncle Julian’s old dentist chair & dentures in the house & all their collections & stories. Aunt Marcile particularly liked telling the story of being the oldest person to zipline in Costa Rica & how Uncle Julian couldn’t watch and how much she scared him.

Jeanne Barrett - August 07, 2020 at 06:38 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. Marcile was a wonderful women. She was kind hearted and really cared about everyone. She was a dynamo of a women in a small package.

Linda Jarvis - August 10, 2020 at 01:55 PM



“ I was saddened to hear about the passing of Marcile.I had the honor of being her and Julian’s family doctor for a decade or more. Kindness with class always. My condolences to the family for losing such a vital and precious member.

Kevin Anderson MD - August 11, 2020 at 11:17 PM



“ Thank you all!!! Kristy Woelfel

Kristy Woelfel - August 17, 2020 at 05:03 PM



“ Dear Marcy,

Last time we met at Sunflower for your birthday in January. You were so happy eating the Mango cake! Your happy face is still vividly remembered! For the last 40 years we have shared a lot of wonderful times. Thank you for being an excellent friend. For kids you were such a wonderful grandma!!! For sure we are going to miss you a lot! You will always live in our mind!

Lily & Wu

Grand children: Lena, Levana, Eugene & Issac

P.S. Twin have tried to cross US-Canada border and failed 3 times. We will keep you posted on their figure skating adventures!

Lily Tsai - September 12, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ Knowing Marcy was a major event in my life. After returning to Columbus from living abroad as a young mother, she drew me in to the International Wives Club. From there, the most significant friendships of my life developed among these marvelous women. At a mutual friend's event a few years ago, I was glad that I was able to tell Marcy of my deep gratitude for her influence in my life. What a gift to have known Marcy and the spirit of cultural sharing, harmony and inclusiveness she spread through the group. She was the embodiment of gracious hosting and cultural awareness. She will be missed, but she will live on in our grateful hearts.

Mary Helen Hart - September 13, 2020 at 03:58 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marcile "Marcy" Woelfel.



August 07, 2020 at 03:33 PM