



Lydia Susan Block

June 22, 2011

Lydia Susan Block, PhD., age 59, of Columbus, died Wednesday June 22, 2011 at Riverside Methodist Hospital. Owner of Block Educational Consulting and Educator at Ohio Wesleyan University, former employee at The Ohio State University where she earned her Doctorate Degree in Education with a specialty in Learning Disabilities. She was extremely well respected and well known in her field and touched the lives of hundreds of students across the country. Lydia loved to travel, spend time near the ocean, gardening in her backyard but mostly she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially her daughters and granddaughter. She is survived by loving daughters, Emily (Kyle) Lugg of Dublin and Caroline Block-Wilkins of Columbus and their father, Prof. Jay Wilkins; parents, Marvin and Shirley Block of Chapel Hill, NC; brother, Jonathan Dancing of Brattleboro, VT; sister, Marjorie (Phil Zorian) Block of West Chesterfield, NJ; granddaughter, Olivia; nieces, Isabel Block, Hannah and Mariah Dancing; many friends and students whose lives she touched. Friends may call 3-6 PM Saturday June 25, 2011 at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High Street, Worthington, where Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 AM Sunday. Rabbi Sharon Mars officiating. Private Family Interment. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Crohn's & Colitis Foundation, National Processing Center, Attn: Honor & Memorial Gifts, PO Box 1245, Albert Lea, MN, 56007-9976 in Lydia's memory. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com to send on-line condolences.

Tribute Wall



“ Lydia Susan Block

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Lydia's death. I am sorry I didn't hear in time to come to the funeral, but please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Lydia and I crossed paths first professionally when she hired me as a GRA at OSU disability services, and then personally, when our daughters attended OSU preschool together and played softball together in Clintonville. What a wonderful positive spirit, always so interested in others and tackling whatever challenges she had. Her love for her profession, and most of all, her children was evident whenever she spoke. She will be missed.

Suzanne Ritter - June 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Hello, I send you my very sincere sympathies in the loss of Dr. Block. I met her when my son was visiting OWU and deciding to attend(I am a '76 alum) and she was so amazing with him in terms of putting him at ease and then helping him to acclimate and be a successful student at Ohio Wesleyan. I honestly think she made all the difference. I know she will be missed by her family and all of the OWU community. Most sincerely, Elizabeth Hering

Elizabeth Cunningham Hering - June 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Professor Block and Christy are helping me with my future. I am a young Latino DC residents taking part of Grade 13, I enjoy school but wasn't so sure about college. Professor Block and Christy make me feel like a winner!!!! I have the confidence I need to succeed. I know it's a lot of work, team work, my parents, my school Christy and of course me. I will make you proud Professor Block and thank you for your advice, it will forever be with me. Edgard Romero, JR.

The Romero Family - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. Lydia touched so many lives professionally and personally in a very caring way. Sincerely, Margaret Hazelett Disability Coordinator OSU Marion

Margaet Hazelett - June 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Emily and Caroline, We are so sorry for your loss. The girls and I have been saying prayers and are thinking of you both. Please know you are in our thoughts. The video was a beautiful tribute to your mother and I hope that it will bring you some comfort in the days to come. We love you. The Cammarota Family Mary,Mark,Maddy,Mackenzie and Bella

Mary Cammarota - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ Dear Caroline and family, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I will be keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Caroline- please know all of your sisters are here for you if you ever need us. Theta love and mine, Elizabeth

Elizabeth Pease - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dear Lydia, I will miss you and our conversations and dinners together. Emily and Caroline, I have wonderful memories of your mom as a friend. How she loved you and had great pride in who you are. Susan

Susan Stumpp - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Emily and Caroline, I met Lydia when I was a freshman at Ohio State. She was a great mentor, role model and became a dear friend. She honored me by being in my wedding and I had the thrill later that year to hold Emily when she first came home from the hospital. Although we didn't see each other as often as either of us would have liked, each phone call was a breath of fresh air for me. We shared life experiences, including having our youngest later in life. She adored both of you girls - her love for you will live on through you. I was truly blessed to have Lydia as friend. Laura Murphy Shapiro

Laura Shapiro - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Caroline, know that in addition to Emily, you have 50 sisters who are here for you if/when you need anything. Have faith, keep hope, know that you are loved. Love and condolences, DeLaine

DeLaine Mayer - June 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Dear Lydia's family, Lydia was truly a special friend and colleague who supported and mentored me for over 20 years. Together, we laughed, cried, shared hotel rooms at conferences, shared ideas about students, pondered the trials and tribulations of our personal worlds, and most importantly, talked about our daughters. I will so miss her phone calls and our times together. In memory, Peggy
Peggy Hayeslip

Peggy Hayeslip - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To Lydia's family, She was a truly wonderful person who helped me in my career(eventhough I worked at the University of Michigan) Lydia's was never too busy to answer my questions or to help me out. In our work together at ETS I always looked forward to seeing that I had been paired with her on a review. Lydia was a mensch and I will miss her greatly. Know that you and she will be in my thoughts and prayers. I wish you all well Stuart

Stuart Segal - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ To the family of Lydia Block: Please know that you are in my prayers. Lydia was a wonderful woman, a patient teacher, and a loving mentor. Much of what I have come to understand about working with students with disabilities, I learned from her. She was a gift. She will be missed. "As long as we live, she too will live, as we remember her."

Leslie Taylor - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I am so sad to hear of Lydia's passing. My heart goes out to her friends and family. She will be missed greatly.

Jennifer Hertzfeld - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I was so sorry to hear of Lydia's untimely death. My condolences to her family. I worked with Lydia many years ago through AHEAD. I have most fond memories of her infectious smile and clear thinking about disability issues. Sincerely, Rhona

Rhona C. Hartman - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Dear Emily and Caroline, Whenever your mom and I spent time together our conversation always - always - turned to how very much she liked, loved, admired, and adored you both. She remains in your hearts. With love, sympathy, and an electronic hug, Vickie Barr

Vickie Barr - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Caroline and family, I am so sorry to hear about your mother's passing. I know from meeting her when she spoke at Dominion and from reading about her accomplishments she was a very wonderful person. And, having daughters as lovely as you, I know she was a very loving mother. May God bless you all. Lovingly, Mrs. Sherman

Mrs. Patricia Sherman - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ To Caroline and Emily, I do not know the words to express the void that Lydia leaves behind both personally and professionally. Lydia was a treasured friend and wonderful mentor. She was a devoted loving mother so proud of you both. Her presence will be missed on so many levels. My deepest condolences for your loss. As you cherish, embrace and celebrate her memory, may it bring you peace with the assurance that your love for her is eternal and she is not forgotten. Lydia has forever changed the lives of those she touched. With my deepest sympathy, Brenda

Brenda Cooper - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM