



Lynette Susan Unger

November 30, 1951 - January 18, 2026

Lynette Susan Beinke Unger passed peacefully holding her daughter's hand on Sunday, January 18, 2026. She was born November 30, 1951 in Davenport, Iowa to the late Glenn and Louise Beinke.

Also known as Aunt Susie, Vulture and Dr. Unger, Lynette lived an amazing, adventurous and glass ceiling shattering life.

Raised in Rock Island, Illinois, Lynette graduated from Rock Island High School. She earned a Bachelor's Degree from Augustana College and an MBA and Ph.D from the University of Cincinnati.

After careers as a translator and stewardess, Lynette found her life's calling as a professor of marketing. She taught at Miami University for more than two decades, rising to become a tenured professor and Associate Dean at the Farmer School of Business.

Lynette was known for her world travels, frequently distributing multi-country itineraries to her children prior to setting off. She visited all 50 states, over 90 countries and lived abroad several times.

She was a lifelong swimmer and athlete, competing in club swimming and varsity doubles tennis and synchronized swimming in high school and

Master's swimming events and triathlons as an adult.

Lynette loved film, music, plays, musicals, literature and her pet cats through the years. She had a wonderful sense of humor and quick wit.

Lynette was married twice (Ray Unger and Steve McCullough) and spent 18 years with loving partner Michael Webb.

She is survived by two sons and two daughters-in law, Brad Unger of Columbus, Ohio and Scott Unger of Salem, Oregon; one daughter and a son-in-law, Julia Massey of Columbus, Ohio, four grandchildren; a niece and nephew and her sister, Luanne Beinke of Rock Island, Illinois.

Lynette was preceded in death by her sister, Janna Marshall.

She lives on as an inspiration to her children and loved ones.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Lynette's name may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, YMCA or Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

A celebration of life ceremony will be held on Saturday June 13th at 11am, located at Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church 3500 Main St, Hilliard, OH 43026. Luncheon to be served after the ceremony.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church
3500 Main St
Hilliard, OH 43026

Tribute Wall

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“ *Lynette was a meaningful part of my life - - I'll always hold wonderful memories in my heart - - I am so sorry*

Jerry Carstens - February 02 at 11:55 AM

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“ *I met Lynette during my early days in Cincinnati- probably 1976. We had several great adventures together. I remember making a baby set for her first child. We lost track of each other but as soon as I saw her photo in the obituary section, I knew right away it was Lynette...and seeing her smile made me smile too. I still have the ceramic angels her mom made for me. I'm happy she died peacefully with her family. My sympathies for your loss.*

Blanche Sullivan - January 31 at 07:47 AM

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“ *I was a student of Dr. Unger at Miami, and worked with her in the Laws Hall and Associates advertising program. She will remain my all-time favorite professor - undergrad and graduate school. She was good to me as she was with all her students. I will always remember her never-ending happiness and enthusiasm, and all the lessons I learned from her.*

Chip Potter - January 29 at 08:58 AM

SB

“ *Lynette, Michael, Brad, Kathryn and I went to hear James Taylor and Jackson Browne several summers ago at Bkossom. She knew every word of every song! I've been told how important music was to her even during the last days to her long rest.*

Susan Baker - January 25 at 03:21 PM