



Anedith Jo Nash

August 27, 1943 - July 23, 2020

Ms. Anedith Jo Nash (née Bond), of Minneapolis, Minnesota, passed away on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at the age of 76.

Anedith Nash was born in Waco, Texas, and as an undergraduate attended Baylor University, where her father was chairperson of the Chemistry Department and her mother served as an assistant on the executive staff. She earned a Masters Degree in Political Science/International Organization and Economics from Washington State University, and a PhD in American Studies from the University of Minnesota. She taught and administered at various Twin Cities schools and programs, including an urban studies consortium, before becoming Professor and Academic Dean at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. She left that position to serve as Academic Dean at the Oregon College of Art and Craft in Portland, Oregon, and finished her career as Provost at the Columbus College of Art and Design in Ohio. In retirement she returned to Minnesota to be near her son Jason and his family and to live with her partner, Rob Silberman. She kept engaged with the art school community by helping art schools and programs across the nation achieve accreditation.

Anedith loved teaching, mentoring and working with others to get things done. She also loved art, American Sign Language, the mountains in Colorado, singing, horseback riding, Golden Retrievers, and above all, always, her friends and family. She is survived by her sons Marcus Nash and Jason (Vicki) Nash from her marriage to Jeff Nash (which ended in divorce); brothers Tom (Kate) Bond and Bob (Kay) Bond, four nieces and seven grandchildren, and Rob Silberman.

No service is currently scheduled. The family is grateful for condolences, and encourages those who loved Anedith to make a contribution that would honor her memory to a school

or charity of their choice.

Comments



“ Anedith was an educational pioneer. So much of what she did -- quietly, with dignity and determination -- has become "normal." She connected art to social change, she connected learning in the classroom to learning in the community, she saw students as producers of knowledge and not just empty vessels to be filled. In her own quiet way, she had a great impact, even on people and in places that may not be aware of her. Hamba kahle, Anedith.

Peter Rachleff, Professor Emeritus of History, Macalester College
Co-Executive Director, East Side Freedom Library, St. Paul

Peter Rachleff - August 11 at 06:38 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Anedith's passing. My condolences and love to her family and friends. I didn't know her well and I did have the opportunity to work with her on occasion. She had a beautiful, welcoming and open spirit. She will be missed and remembered by all of us.

Craig Davidson

Craig Davidson - August 03 at 04:00 PM



“ I was greatly saddened to hear of Anedith's passing. Back in 2013, when I was pursuing my doctorate in Education, I reached out to Anedith for advice on my career trajectory. She remembered me right away as an MCAD undergrad in the 1990s. We had a nice chat reminiscing about MCAD and Anedith graciously lent her time and shared her expertise to guide me in thinking about the next steps in my career. A strong woman willing to lift another up. I wish Anedith's family and friends peace during this difficult time. - Melissa Rands

Melissa Rands - August 03 at 01:21 PM



“ I did not know Anedith well, but I admired her deeply during the short time we spent together as colleagues at Minneapolis College of Art and Design. She was engaging, gentle, smart and appeared to be one of those very special people who could lead from behind almost without us knowing we were going along. My heart goes out to her family and dear friends. -- Lynda Monick-Isenberg

Lynda Monick-Isenberg - August 03 at 12:00 PM



“ I am so saddened to hear this news. My Sympathy to her family and Rob Silberman. Anedith was brilliant, enthusiastic, and impacting educator, She will remain for ever important to me because she was the Dean at MCAD and helped me get my first teaching job there. I missed her when she left but I keep her on a roster of the most influential people I ever met.

Vesna Kittelson - August 01 at 08:15 PM



“ Anedith was a beloved colleague at HECUA (Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs, St. Paul, MN), where she taught community and field-based experiential learning with brilliance, care and everything one would ever want to experience with a wonderful educator. Anedith taught me about the role of the automobile in American culture, the challenges of hearing/listening/signing, the courage to cross racial and cultural differences and the absolute joy of being an inquisitive person dedicated to education at its best. RIP, dear Anedith. Condolences to her sons, partner and family. Anedith, my love and respect for you always, Nadinne Cruz nadinne.cruz@gmail.com

Nadinne Cruz - August 01 at 05:03 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Anedith's family and friends. I worked under her when she was Provost at Columbus College of Art & Design. She was the best boss we ever had. She was always kind and friendly. We all loved working for her and simply adored her. She changed the lives of many in very positive ways. I will forever cherish my fond memories of traveling to Japan with her on school business many years ago.

Hiroshi Hayakawa - August 01 at 03:08 PM



“ Granpa Jeff and Grand Dina purchased the Meat & Cheese Sympathy Gift Crate for the family of Anedith Jo Nash.



Granpa Jeff and Grand Dina - August 01 at 02:21 PM



“ My condolences to the family. I worked with her at CCAD in Ohio. She was a dynamic woman who brought out the best in every one. Her love for art and the art community was genuine and finely demonstrated in all she had given and done in the Art communities. My prayers to the family



Sunday Milner - August 01 at 12:27 PM



“ I'm so sorry to learn of the loss of my friend and neighbor, Anedith. Her lovely spirit will be missed.. condolences to Rob and all Anedith's family.

Sharon Johnson - August 01 at 12:12 PM



“ We are so sorry for the loss of Anedith. She was a jewel and my sister-in-law for 25 years. I'll always remember her telling me that she will always be my kids aunt. Jason Vicki and kids we will be praying for you during this time.

Bill and Nancy Noble

nancy noble - August 01 at 11:42 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Anedith's passing and send my deepest condolences to Rob, Jason, Vicki and the rest of the family. I always enjoyed my chats with Anedith and I cherish a set of handmade espresso cups she and Rob gave us as a lovely wedding gift. I'm sending love and hugs to all. She will be missed.
<3 Jessica LeBoeuf

Jessica LeBoeuf - July 31 at 10:12 PM