



Roslyn Torgerson

August 11, 2010

Torgerson, Roslyn Bahr of Edina, Minnesota, died August 5, 2010 at the age of 72 after a 15-month battle with metastatic intranasal melanoma. Preceded in death by her parents, Vernal and Elvera Bahr; and husband of fifty years, Willard Torgerson. Survived by daughter, Rochelle Torgerson; son-in-law, Eapen Jacob; granddaughter, Bergen Jacob; and siblings, Carolyn (David) Moe and Richard (Kit) Bahr. Roslyn was born in Bemidji, Minnesota on August 30, 1937. She attended Bemidji High School, was elected Homecoming Queen by her peers and graduated in 1955. She received her bachelor's degree in 1959 from the University of Minnesota, Duluth having received her undergraduate education from several institutions including Taylor University in Indiana. Roslyn went on to obtain her Masters in Education from the University of Minnesota in 1968. She had a productive thirty-year career in home economics education, teaching at Nokomis Junior High and Mankato State University as well as working for the Minnesota Department of Education developing, writing and in-servicing curriculum. Roslyn shared her second career with her husband, Willard, as owners of Contemporary Furniture Showroom/Design Studio 1200 in Edina, Minnesota. Education and design were truly her loves. Roslyn influenced many, was deeply loved, and will be sadly missed, but she will stay in our hearts forever. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 5025 Knox Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55419 or Mayo Clinic Department of Development, 200 First St SW, Rochester, MN 55905. Internment Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Funeral service will be held 11 AM Friday, August 13, with visitation one hour prior to the service and reception following at: Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Ms. Torgerson was a fantastic teacher, She was very caring and understanding. She had a wonderful Spirit, She was my teacher at Nokomis Jr. High 66-69. Favorite Teacher of all time. May she rest in peace in Heaven!*

~

Patricia Monette-Sadler,

St. Augustine, Florida

Patricia Monette-Sadler - August 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ I was a student of Mrs Togerson at Nokomis Jr. High and I only have the fondest memories of her. She was a terrific teacher and role model - she cared very deeply about her teaching and her students and infused quality in everything she did.

~

Linda Leng,

Phoenix, Arizona

Linda Leng - July 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I was a student of Mrs. Torgerson at Nokomis Junior High in the mid-1960's. She had a tremendous influence on me and was one of my favorite teachers. I have always sewn throughout my life and I can thank her for that. She always looked so stylish in her Vogue clothes. I did not realize that she was from Bemidji where I have lived for the past twenty years. Like her, I also went to UMD. I am sad to hear of her passing, but she will remain in my memory - I can picture her in the classroom at Nokomis and her special way, guiding us to learn an important skill and self-confidence.

~

Susanna Frenkel,

Bemidji, Minnesota

Susanna Frenkel - August 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“*Mrs. Torgerson was my sewing teacher at Nokomis. She was very stylish, kind, and happy. I remember her smiling and laughing. I'm glad to hear she moved on to more mature clientele. I send grateful prayers.*

~

Julie Shobe,

Bloomington, Minnesota

Julie Shobe - August 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Shelly, on behalf of myself and my family I extend you my condolences. I can't imagine what you have been through in the past few months. I really enjoyed your parents. They were absolutely the best! It meant a lot to me as a young kid to drop by and hang out like I did. We couldn't ask for better neighbors to have on our street. Your mom was always very supportive of me and I appreciate that tremendously. She will be missed a lot. I wish you the best and give you my sympathy.

~

Andrew Berg,

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Contact Me

Andrew Berg - August 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ I was very sad to learn of Ms. Torgerson's passing. Many, many years ago... actually, it was decades ago... she was my Home Room Teacher at Nokomis Junior High School in South Minneapolis. My fellow students and I all enjoyed the times and interactions we had with this friendly, wonderful, and beautiful lady. To me, she always seemed way too refined and elegant to be tending to a bunch of young schleps and hooligans like us, but it was obvious to all of us even back then that she loved teaching and she was doing what she was seemingly compelled to do. I will always fondly remember her caring demeanor and nurturing spirit. While I am certain those who were close will miss her dearly, she has certainly earned her peace.

~

TJ Oman,

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Contact Me

TJ Oman - August 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Shelly ~ I was so sorry to hear about your Mom. I know you fought the battle every inch of the way with her. I'm glad you all got to share time with that little angel, Bergen. Take care. Hugs.*

~

Cindy Van Epps,

Kenyon, Minnesota

Cindy Van Epps - August 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Shelly, So sad to hear of the loss of your mother. I was shocked to open the paper and read the news today. Thinking about you during this difficult time.

~

Jennifer Banal,

Minnesota

Jennifer Banal - August 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ On behalf of the staff at Courage Center, please accept our condolences on the loss of Roslyn. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

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Courage Center,

Minnesota

Contact Me

Courage Center - August 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I happen to be in the Twin Cities visiting my 93 year old father and saw the obituary for my favorite teacher at Nokomis Junior High back in the sixties. She was my first exposure to a lady that was on the cutting edge of fashion, I always loved her taste. My sympathy goes out to all of you.

~

Sally Vander Linden Rajamaki,

Park City, Utah

Contact Me

Sally Vander Linden Rajamaki - August 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM