

Joan Campbell

Campbell, Joan 10/16/1947 - 11/5/2014 Issaquah, WA

Joan Ann Campbell passed away peacefully after a 4 year battle with cancer on November 5, 2014, at Swedish Hospital in Seattle, surrounded, loved and supported by her family. Joan was born on October 16, 1947 in Ann Arbor, MI, a daughter of Angus Campbell, Ph.D. and Jean (Winter) Campbell. She attended the College of Wooster and transferred to the University of Michigan, where she graduated with a B.A. in psychology. She later obtained an M.A. in counselor education from Northwestern University and an M.A. in developmental psychology from the University of Michigan. In 1978, Joan moved to Arlington, TX as a therapist at the Parenting Guidance Center in Fort Worth. She left as Assistant Executive Director to become Executive Director of the Tarrant Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. On May 28, 1988, Joan married Timothy Avery Williams and moved to Issaquah, WA. She joined Friends of Youth, in Redmond, WA in 1989, where she was eventually promoted to President and CEO. She retired from Friends of Youth in 2011, after 22 years of exemplary service to youth. Her legacy is profound, and the positive impact of her commitment in the lives of young people will extend for generations. In addition to her impact on young people and their families served by Friends of Youth, Joan was a valued role model and mentor to countless colleagues and employees. Joan is survived by her mother, Jean Campbell of Ann Arbor, MI; her husband, Tim Williams of Issaquah, WA; her brother, Bruce Campbell of St. George, UT; her sister, Carol (Campbell) Welsch of Northville, MI; her husband's daughters, Jennifer Williams and Emily Williams of Atlanta, GA; niece, Kirsten (Campbell) McCullough; nephews, Rob Campbell and Ian Welsch; and grandchildren, Nicole James and DeMarco Stephens. In the words of American poet, Maya Angelou, "people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." No one exemplified those words more than Joan Campbell. A celebration of her life will take place at Seattle First Baptist Church, 1111 Harvard Ave., Seattle WA 98122 at 2 PM on Saturday, January 10, 2015. In lieu of flowers, Joan and her family request donations be made to Friends of Youth in Redmond, WA (www.friendsofyouth.org); the Center for the Education of Women at the University of Michigan (www.cew.umich.edu); or the Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research in Seattle, WA (www.marsharivkin.org).

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