



Brenda Meehan

March 1, 1942 - August 27, 2006

August 27, 2006. She is survived by her life partner, Melanie A. May; daughters Megan Waters (Catherine Eiff), Karen Waters (Colin Macdonald); sisters, Maura (George) Winkler, Anne (Larry) Merritt; grandchildren, Xavier, Matthias, Tate; friend and ex husband John J. Waters Jr.; 12 nieces and nephews.. Friends may call Wednesday, 2-4, 7-9 PM at the funeral chapel (2305 Monroe Ave.). Friends are invited to bring a written memory or photo for the familys Memory Book. Services will be held at the U of R Interfaith Chapel, Thursday at 11am. Parking is off campus on E. River Rd. (signs will indicate parking area). A shuttle will be provided from 10:30am until 2pm. Interment will be private at Marymont Farm in VA. Contributions may be made in support of Multiple System Atrophy Research, payable to: The University of Rochester, Account # 6-21323. Mailing address: Janet L. Butler Fund, 1351 Mt. Hope Ave., Ste. 223, Rochester, NY 14620 or the Ursuline Retirement Fund, c/o Ursuline Provincialate, 1338 North Ave., New Rochelle, NY 10804-2121.

Events

AUG **Visitation** 11:00AM - 11:00AM

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University of Rochester Interfaith Chapel

500 Joseph C. Wilson Blvd., Rochester, NY, US, 14627

Comments



“ To Brenda's family and friends: Please accept my sincere condolences during this time of grief and loss. Although I never had the opportunity to personally meet Brenda, I am grateful for the many ways that she and Melanie May have loved and supported one another over the years. It's been my experience that people who grow into wisdom and courageous action, often flourish because they have a loving, bedrock foundation of family and friends upon whom they can depend... absolutely. I'm thankful to Brenda and Melanie for all the ways that they challenged and shaped one another into courageous action. They added more than the sum of one plus one to our world. With gratitude for that unique eternal synergy, Lynne Fretz CRCDS Student

Lynne Fretz - September 12, 2006 at 09:25 PM



“ The last time I saw Brenda she said the doctor had told her she might live for five more years. That, she said in a soft whisper, would be too long. Too long for you, my dear friend, and not nearly long enough for those of us who loved you. My deepest sympathy to Melanie, and to the Meehan-Waters family on the loss of this brilliant, dear light in so many of our lives.

Pam Klainer - September 12, 2006 at 12:32 AM



“ I am saddened to learn that someone with such a powerful, bright presence is no longer with us. I remember Brenda well even from having known her in a church group nearly 25 years ago. My deepest sympathy to Melanie and to both of their families and other loved ones. In sympathy, Marjorie Chapin

Marjorie Chapin - September 01, 2006 at 01:59 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. May you know God's consolation and love during this difficult time.

Donna Ecker - August 31, 2006 at 07:28 PM



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August 31, 2006 at 04:20 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We're so sorry for your loss. Stefanie and Lisa

Alfonso-Frank Family - August 31, 2006 at 02:41 AM



“ I met Brenda when we were both graduate students in Russian history at the University of Rochester. Brenda was smart, a brilliant scholar, articulate, a committed spiritual feminist with a wonderful sense of humour, very committed to her partner Melanie, her daughters, friends and family. My deep sympathies.

Rochelle Goldberg Ruthchild - August 30, 2006 at 08:22 PM



“ Melanie: you know better than anyone how Brenda's intellect and humor were utterly delightful aspects of spending time in her company. We were always happy to indulge her sweet tooth after enjoying a lovely dinner with the two of you. We are grateful for having known Brenda and only regret that we did not have the luxury of more time with her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and her family. With love and warm remembrance, Eva and Judith

Eva and Judith Bauman - August 30, 2006 at 06:34 PM



“ I may have sent an unfinished note already. It disappeared from my screen. The long and the short of it was that I appreciated Brenda Meehan as a professor, researcher and a friend to Linkages. I enjoyed sitting in her Russian History course, '86-'87 as much as any class I have ever taken. My condolences to those who knew her personally and loved her. She was a wonderful teacher. Marian Nelson

Marian Nelson - August 30, 2006 at 06:16 PM



“ Dearest Megan, Catherine, Karen, Colin, and John, We are so very saddened to learn of Brenda's passing. We hope you find solace and comfort in being together at this time. Your mother had many joys in watching you grow and in becoming a grandmother (3x!) you will keep her joy alive in your memories. We send all of our love and deepest condolences. Dana, David, Aaron and Jacob Mermelstein

Dana Mermelstein - August 30, 2006 at 03:07 AM



“ Melanie and family, we wish so much that we could be with you at this time. We had so much fun with Brenda and Melanie at home, at the Little, at the Genessee Country Village and Museum. We will remember Brenda for her soft and gentle demeanor when she greeted visitors, her fierce independence as she coped with her illness, and her intellect as she critiqued Pam's grant proposal. For the website you have selected a wonderful picture that captures her beauty! Love, Pam and Art

Pam Couture and Art Wells - August 30, 2006 at 02:34 AM



“ Melanie and Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. May you feel God's healing presence as you say farewell.

Bob Crystal and Curtis Perry - August 30, 2006 at 12:12 AM



“ I will always remember Brenda fondly as a mentoring senior colleague when I first starting teaching at UR 12 years ago. I only had the opportunity to work alongside her for a short while, but even so I have very fond memories of her. i'd like to send her family my best wishes and let them know they are in my thoughts. Thank you, Joanne

Joanne Bernardi - August 29, 2006 at 05:03 PM



“ We will always remember Aunt Brenda as someone with a sharp intellect, quick wit, and friendly smile. Our prayers go out to our cousins, Megan and Karen, to Melanie, and to all of Brenda's family and friends. Love, Jimmy, Kerstin, Matthew and Ryan

Jimmy Winkler - August 29, 2006 at 04:08 PM



“ To Melanie and Brenda's family: I will never forget Brenda's smile nor her gentle nature. May the good memories help you through the sadness.

Peggy Meeker - August 29, 2006 at 03:39 PM



“ Melanie: I will keep the image of you and Brenda at your table together talking with me and Peg in my heart and memory always. I know Brenda is on a magnificent journey. May you find comfort in the coming days from loved ones and through God sweet graces. Much love and in sympathy, Marie

Marie Gibson - August 29, 2006 at 02:21 PM



“ To Melanie and family, May the light in Brenda's eyes and the love in her heart that you shared, continue to illuminate the healing path you will follow. With deepest sympathy, Donna Twardowski MDiv. student CRCDS

Donna Twardowski - August 29, 2006 at 02:06 PM



“ Melanie, I just wanted to let you know I'm thinking of you and praying for you during this time. God bless. Steve Johnson

Steve Johnson - August 29, 2006 at 12:55 PM



“ Brenda Meehan was a brilliant, thoughtful and very kind woman. I am so grateful that I knew her. My deepest sympathy to you all. Rose Mitchell

Rosemary C. Mitchell - August 29, 2006 at 12:44 PM



“ Having shared the CNR experience with Brenda, I will always remember her as being so LIVELY--intellectually, socially and spiritually! May she be happy forever...

Mary Lou Zanca Griffin - August 29, 2006 at 01:28 AM