



Sue W. Golier

September 20, 1942 - July 11, 2022

Sue Ellen Wolfram Golier of Pittsburgh, PA died on Monday, July 11, 2022, after a brief illness. Born September 20, 1942, in Wilkinsburg, PA to Victor and Helen (Loveday) Wolfram, she spent most of her youth in Murrysville, PA, graduating from Franklin Area Joint High School in 1960. At Allegheny College in Meadville, PA, she graduated with a BS in Economics in 1964. She cherished her connection to her alma mater and maintained attendance at Allegheny choir reunions to the present year.

The third woman in history to be hired by Pittsburgh's Price Waterhouse accounting firm, she earned her CPA license shortly thereafter. While there she met the love of her life, Robert (Bob) Golier, who proposed to her on an escalator at Horne's Department Store two weeks after their first luncheon date.

After marriage to Robert on October 22, 1966, Sue joined the Fox Chapel Area Women's Club and the American Association of University Women and volunteered at Contact Pittsburgh, a suicide prevention hotline. Active in the community theater group Stage Right, she acted, directed, helped with set design and even had her play, Murder at Boyd, performed. A member of the O'Hara Bicentennial Chorus in 1976, she proudly danced the can-can at the Pennsylvania train station in front of 5,000 people.

When the local elementary school closed, Sue and a friend saw an opportunity and founded the Boyd Community Center in 1983. She was its first manager and witnessed its growth into the Cooper-Siegel Community Library and Lauri Ann West Community Center, which provide services to thousands of people in the Fox Chapel area. She and Robert also founded the Beautiful Smiles Foundation in 2006 to offer free dental care for those in dire need. Its service continues today.

Sue, as a member of the Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, served as an elder, sang in the choir, was treasurer of the Harvest Fair and maker of their famous mushroom sandwiches.

In the game of bridge, she participated in many local and regional tournaments and earned the title Ruby Life Master. She was most proud of the Tuesday ACBL sanctioned duplicate bridge game, which she ran for many years at the Lauri Ann West Community Center, the largest in the Pittsburgh area.

Sue was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, friend and community member whose passion for social issues was unparalleled. She loved being a Pittsburgher, watching Rachel Maddow, jigsaw puzzles, laughing loudly (she had an amazing cackle), eating at Jimmy Wan's, public theater, card games and her Facebook family.

Sue leaves behind her husband Robert Golier of 55 years, two sisters, Victoria Muckinhaupt (Richard) and Barbara McElfresh (Alvin); three children, Kevin Golier (Jodie), Sara Schneider, Melanie Wilshire (Bud); nine grandchildren, Max, Madeline, Maya, Gus, Lucy, Jonas, Trey, Leo and Margot; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins. She is predeceased by her parents and brother, John "Chris" Wolfram.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in her name to the Beautiful Smiles Foundation (PO Box 38412, Pittsburgh, PA 15238), or Planned Parenthood.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, August 19 at 11:00 am at the Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, 384 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh, PA. All who have known and loved Sue are welcome. Festive attire.

Tribute Wall



“ Sue W. Golier

October 09, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ Sue W. Golier

October 06, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sue W. Golier.



August 18, 2022 at 05:56 PM



“ Dear Bob
So sorry to hear of Sue's passing. My prayers are with you and your family. May God grant you comfort during this difficult time.
Donna Graczyk Nolan

Donna Graczyk Nolan - July 17, 2022 at 06:56 PM



“ We grew up together , we played bridge (among other things) together . These last few years she sent me (daily) anti-Trump you-tubes . She was special and will be missed !

larry c loveday - July 16, 2022 at 11:41 PM

LT

“ *Dear Bob and family
I would not no were to begin, because all our experiences over the many years have always been great. We will always remember Sue’s smile and cackle she will truly be missed . My thoughts and prayers to all . Take care love leona*

leona tosatto - July 16, 2022 at 06:44 PM

LH

“ *The Bridge World Shares in the sadness of the Golier family. Sue was not only a warm and loving person with an easy laugh, but she was a great Director who enjoyed seeing her players have a good time. We will miss you as a person, as a Director, as a woman with a beautiful smile
Lorraine Hanna*

Lorraine Hanna - July 15, 2022 at 10:33 PM

MF

“ Sue, my Falconhurst neighbor, was responsible for introducing me to Stage Right Community Theater. She directed me multiple times and was a key person in keeping the group viable and growing. Sue was a bulwark of Stage Right for many years, that is until she got me to agree to become president in her place. She had to step away some time and finally got me, in a weak moment, to agree to it.

We remained friends through church, seeing each other in the neighborhood and later, after she moved to Chapel Harbor, seeing her around town.

We communicated regularly online. We both shared a love of politics and jigsaw puzzles. Two weeks before she died she gave me 80 assorted puzzles because she was needing to clear the space in her house. During Covid quarantine jigsaws were her daily activity. She told me months ago never to buy another puzzle because she had all that I would ever need. Just call when I wanted one. I did but 80 puzzles was a surprise. When I went to pick them up we chatted for 15-20 minutes, catching up about family and life but being physically compromised never came up.

It is hard not to love Sue. She and Bob have always been about improving the lives of others and contributing to the community. I am still reeling from hearing of her passing. I will miss her laugh, her online presence and her wit. I am richer for having had Sue Golier in my life.

Mike Fazzini - July 15, 2022 at 09:47 PM

LR

“ When I was growing up in Murrysville, PA, Suzy (as she was known then) was one of the “big” girls who lived across the street. I thought she and her sister Vicki led such exciting lives! Dancing the jitterbug, talking to cute boys in the driveway, and laughing! What a great laugh Suzy had - I can hear it all these years later! We remained Facebook friends till the end. I miss her already! 🥺

Lynn Rourke - July 15, 2022 at 02:46 PM

JR

Reading about all the great things that Sue did with her friends and community, I wish that I could have met her and share some time with her. She surely was a wonderful woman and caring for so many (Friends, Family and even those she did not know) but this I know already, because she and Bob and the family made me one of the luckiness people in the world because I can smile almost a big and beautiful as their mom and wife Sue does. So she shares her big smile with me, time and time again. Sue; i raise you up in prayers that in heaven you rest in Peace of knowing you are now with Him. Thank you for bring love and joy to all you met and those you did not meet. Like me. You will be miss by many. To your family dear Sue, I prayer for their consolation in knowing that God is a God of Love and promises to be with them, today, tomorrow and forever. Love from your Florida Friend Judy Roensch

Judy Roensch - July 24, 2022 at 09:12 PM