

CELEBRATION *of Life*



Nancy Lee Stults Bergquist 1950—2021

On Saturday, July 10, 2021, a Life Celebration will be held at Happy Hollow Park for family and friends at picnic shelter #4 from 1:00—3:00pm. Light appetizers and finger foods are most welcome.

Donations can be made to the Indiana Audubon.

Nancy Lee Stults Bergquist, lovingly known as Birdie, age 71 of Lafayette, Indiana, is flying in spirit after leaving our world on June 25, 2021, 10:23 pm., at St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis. In the past five years, she suffered leukemia, but heart problems and bleeding complications took her life.

Nancy was born in Lafayette, Indiana, on February 2, 1950, to Loretta Beatty and Omar Stults, who preceded her in death. She was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church, West Lafayette, IN, and was active in the UU Feminist Book Club. She was a dedicated leader in the women's spirituality circle, Spiral Sisters, for twenty years. She was a source and a light who encouraged others.

She received her Bachelor's degree from Purdue University in the Arts. Nancy was an active member of the Wabash Artist Alliance and exhibited fine photography at the Tippecanoe Arts Federation and other local galleries. For over a decade, her creative enthusiasm for image-making inspired many students as the photography instructor for the Greater Lafayette Art Museum. She also taught English to Japanese wives of personnel at the Subaru plant. Nancy worked for the Internal Revenue Service and later for Social Security until her recent retirement.

Birdie attended monthly gatherings with friends where she crocheted and made gifts for Foster Care to Success Red Scarf Project, the Family Health Clinic of Monon, and Homeless Services/Urban Ministry of Lafayette, IN. She was abundant by nature, generous in the soul, and caring in the heart. She enjoyed cards and games with friends, social media interactions, and collecting treasures from yard sales and thrift stores. She was especially fond of cats, and she had a passion for birds: bird watching, feeding, reading, anything winged – hence her nickname. Jules, Bodi, and Binky, her sweet cats, will miss their mom, and so will her friends and family, by blood and surrogation.

Nancy married Gary Bergquist on November 25, 1977, also predeceased. Nancy is survived by her brother, Gary Stults, and his wife, Karen, Madison, WI.