



Tracy Marie Sigman 1948-2009

Tracy Marie (Morris) Sigman died in her Canton, Connecticut home on Thursday, April 30, after fighting pancreatic cancer for more than two years. She was surrounded by her husband, Rob, and two children, Ben Sigman and Beth Sigman Somerset.

Tracy was born on November 19th, 1948, to Robert and June (Tracy) Morris of Shorewood, Wisconsin. She grew up in Shorewood and attended Lake Forest College in Illinois, receiving a B.A. in Russian Studies in 1971.

Tracy was passionate about language and travel. Following college she joined the Peace Corps in Cameroon, Africa. She later enlisted as an Officer with the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam conflict. While stationed in Illinois, she met her husband Rob. Tracy and Rob moved to Canton in 1974.

Tracy became very involved in community organizations, joining the Canton League of Women Voters and later serving as its president. Tracy was a member of Canton's Planning Commission, acting as the Chairwoman for the Plan of Development in 1990. She also worked with the Canton-Kuntsevo Russian Exchange Committee. In addition, after years of involvement with the Alliance Francaise of Hartford, Tracy became its Executive Director. She devoted significant time and energy to the success of the organization during her 12-year tenure. Through these commitments Tracy made many of her close friends, who provided much love and support throughout her life and her battle with cancer.

Tracy greatly enjoyed walking, swimming, good food, puzzles, games, and spending time with her family and friends (including her cats). Visiting her family in Wisconsin and going to the Appalachian Mountain Club's Three Mile Island Camp in New Hampshire were among her favorite vacations.

In addition to her husband, her children, and their spouses, Tracy is survived by her mother and three siblings, Gary Morris of Wisconsin, Ed Morris (and wife Linda Morris) of Illinois and South Carolina, and Melanie Morris Smith (and husband Larry Smith) of Wisconsin.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Helen & Harry Gray Cancer Center at Hartford Hospital (80 Seymour St., P.O. Box 5037, Hartford, CT 06102) or McLean Hospice at the McLean Foundation (75 Great Pond Rd., Simsbury, CT 06070).