



Judith "Judy" Dechant-Klinkner

April 5, 1947 - April 30, 2016

Judith "Judy" Marie Dechant-Klinkner of Taylors, SC passed away on April 30, 2016. Born in Cleveland, Ohio, she was preceded in death by her parents Margaret Dechant and Carl F. Klinkner.

She is survived by her two sisters Suzanne Bowers, Asheville, NC, and Karen Gibbons, Kauai, HI. She was an aunt to Judy and Brook Boe Bowers, Kathleen "Kate", Michael and Anthony Gibbons along with six great nieces and nephews, and dear friend to Carter Berry, Marie Brown and Marsha Legere. Also left to grieve are her 3 cats, Patches, Kid-E, Shadow and step-dog Sofie.

Judy graduated from St. Joseph's Academy in Cleveland, Ohio. She retired after 35 years of customer service with Northwest Orient Airlines. She worked in Cleveland, San Francisco, Seattle and retired from Greenville-Spartanburg Airport location.

The family would like to thank all those in the community that reached out to her over the past year with their kindness, prayers and phone calls.

Memorial services will be held at St. James Episcopal Church on Saturday, May 7 at 2:00 p.m. Her family and friends will greet visitors at the church from 1:00 until 1:45 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Monastery of St. Clare, 37 McCauley Road, Travelers Rest, SC or Concerned Citizens for Animals, 3627 Fork Shoals Road, Simpsonville, SC.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

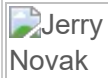
Saint James Episcopal Church
401 Piney Mountain Road
Greenville, SC 29609

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Tribute Wall

 Jerry
Novak

“ *Judy and I worked for Northwest Airlines together for many years. Her constant smile and upbeat attitude keep us all going when things got hectic with flights or irritable passengers. She always had time for you when you needed her, just great memories of a good friend and loyal coworker. God Bless you Judy. Jerry Novak, Winston Salem NC*

Jerry Novak - June 17, 2016 at 07:44 AM

 ML

“ *You enriched my life, in ways no one will ever know. you are in my heart always. Love you "Aunt" Judy. Marsha Lynn*

Marsha Legere - May 07, 2016 at 07:22 AM

 ML

“ *Marsha Legere sent a virtual gift in memory of Judith "Judy" Dechant-Klinkner*



Marsha Legere - May 07, 2016 at 06:57 AM

SB

“ 100% always there for me. I will borrow my sons sentiment. She never let a person have a worry without her trying her very best to eliminate it, no matter what the cost to her. I never had a problem that she couldn't fix with her kind and loving advice. I will now have to turn to the Judy that is in my heart to hear her guide me in the next right action.

Suzanne, her sister for the past 69 years. Rest in Peace!

suzanne bowers - May 06, 2016 at 06:40 PM

LT

“ L. Whitney Thwaites purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Judith "Judy" Dechant-Klinkner.



L. Whitney Thwaites - May 05, 2016 at 03:09 PM

CA

“ A kind and gentle woman whose life ended too soon. She was an avid reader, lover of nature and was rarely seen without a hot cup of coffee. She is now in what she insisted would be ecstasy.

Carter - May 04, 2016 at 09:56 AM

RN

Judy was the best friend everyone should have in their lives. She was kind, loving and nonjudgmental. To see her interactions with people of all ages was always kind and always genuine. She was a friend to many, probably more than she realized. She was MY friend, my very best friend. I will forever love her and miss her. She took a piece of my heart with her but I will see her again. Love you always....."I'll get the next lunch check since I missed your birthday!"

Renee Nowaczck - May 05, 2016 at 12:05 PM

SA

I was just thinking of Judy and googled her and found this. I used to work with her in the Northwest reservation office in Seattle. She was one of a kind. I remember her green leather jacket she would wear all the time. And when she bought a used Jaguar once. I loved it! And I was hell bent on getting one ever since lol! See you on the other side my friend 💜

Shelly Aashiem - May 13, 2025 at 10:38 PM