



Selma "Sam" Durham

September 6, 1937 - April 25, 2019

Durham, Selma "Sam", age 81 of Columbus, Indiana, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at the River Oaks Alzheimer's Special Care Center in Miamisburg, Ohio. She was born on September 6, 1937 in Cambridge, Ohio, the daughter of the late George & Rose (Faddoul) Kalill. Sam was a retired Registered Nurse and had a Master's Degree in Exercise Science. She taught at Ivy Tech, the Indiana State Board of Health and the Atterbury Job Corp. She was active in the Driftwood Valley Wheelman, as well as the Driftwood Valley Road Runners. Sam biked across the United States, and ran in 3 marathons. She taught belly dancing at the Donner Parks & Recreation Center and the Millrace Center, as well as being involved in White River Games & May Day Medley. Sam was a recipient of the Jack Kramer Award for an athletic competition. She was also able to learn Spanish, and volunteered at the local health clinics; she enjoyed traveling and lived in Argentina for 5 years. Preceded in death by her brothers Sam Kalill and Charles J. Kalill. She is survived by her 2 sisters Patricia Fedorke of Wheeling, WV, Rosemary Christie Clemenson of Cambridge, OH, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later time at the Jewell-Rittman Family Funeral Home, 3855 25th Street, Columbus, IN 47203. If so desired memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Dayton or to the Alzheimer's Association in Sam's memory.

Comments



“ Sam was a force of nature! I had so many fun bicycle rides with her, and a special bike trip in Michigan's U.P. Her sense of humor was inspiring. -Ron Adams
Columbus, IN

Ron Adams - May 14, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Sam was one of the most active members of the Wheelmen - on and off the bike - when I joined in the early 1980's. Twice we were team partners in the Mayday Medley, and we attended other events together, including the Blue Ash Dash races in Cincinnati and a double century in Illinois. She was always ready for a bike ride. Every community needs people like Sam. She was an exemplar of improving the lives of everyone around her. Sam, I hope the streets in Heaven have bike lanes. Rest in peace.

Doug Brougher - April 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Sam and I was neighbors for many years. She was sweet, loving and very intelligent. She had such a zest for life. She inspired us all to live healthy. I will remember Sam for her kindness and witty humor. May you Rest in Peace dear friend!

Janet Jones - April 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ She was an amazing nurse and pediatric instructor. I've thought of her often through the years. She was my instructor at IVTC in Columbus IN 1979-1980. Rest in peace.

Pam Self Carey - April 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM