



## Barbara Ladi Terry

March 18, 1946 - January 13, 2019

Barbara (Ladi) Terry, age 72, passed away peacefully at Bloomington Hospital surrounded by family and friends. Born in St. Louis, MO she earned a BA in Elementary Education at St. Norbert College. Marrying her beau Tim Terry, they joined the Peace Corps in 1968. Teaching in Nigeria was a wonderful and enriching experience. Her name “Ladi” was given to her by the Nigerians. Returning in 1970, Ladi taught in Binghamton, NY while Tim attended graduate school at SUNY Binghamton. Always a kind innovator and collaborator, she was employed variously at Cornell University and SUNY. Moving to Michigan, she became Career Services Director at Ferris State University. Moving to Bloomington in 2003 she wrote a book “Celebrate The Messengers, Don’t Shoot Them!” which exemplified her love of the field of creativity. Her business “Success Work” was aimed at allowing people to realize their creative potential and how to utilize it in everyday life. She holds two Masters Degrees, her favorite being her Masters in Creative Studies from Buffalo State University. Attending and presenting at creativity conferences all over the U.S., she stoked the exciting fires of creativity. She loved people of all walks of life and respected all religions and cultures. She was a pacifist and was always sympathetic to the plight of people in war-torn countries. She was preceded in death by her parents Paul and Vernell Rauch. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Tim Terry, her children Kevin Terry and Chelsea Jones, her 4 grandkids, Lonnell Jones, Timothy Jones, Kailiyah Jones, and Brianna Terry. She also leaves behind her siblings Gerry Rauch (Rich

Kacenski), Kathy Rauch (Michael O'Grady), Fr. David Rauch, and Bill Rauch (Nancy Alritz) and many nieces and nephews. She will be dearly missed by all. Donations can be made to a local, non-profit of your choice in memory of Ladi. A Celebration of Life will take place in the future.

You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).

# Tribute Wall

HW

“ I have just learned of Ladi's passing and I am in a state of shock and sorrow. My deepest condolences to Tim, Kevin and Chelsea. She was a wonderful friend, full of life and enthusiasm, with a great sense of humour and a loving personality. I first met Ladi and Tim in Keffi, Nigeria where they were Peace Corps volunteers and I was a CIDA teacher. Their generosity and friendship were so supportive as I adjusted to my life in that place. We have been friends for fifty years. Ladi, you will live in my heart as long as it beats. Farewell, dear friend.

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**Harold Wright** - April 06, 2019 at 11:09 AM

RC

“ So shocked, and saddened by losing ladi.  
Tim my heart goes out to you and the family.  
I have so many great memories of spending time with Lado, that it's hard to pick just one.  
She was a friend when I needed one. Always coming by my shop, seemingly when I needed it most. Her positive outlook, eagerness to help, and exchange of our personal stories, always brightened my day. She will always be have a fond place in my heart.  
Hoping that time will soften the sharp edge of loss you are feeling, and be replace with peace and smiles of loving memories.  
With love, Rebecca

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**Rebecca Carter-Ihle** - February 01, 2019 at 11:07 AM

DH

“ I met Ladi through our shared love of vintage clothing and we did business together for five years or so; it was always so fun to meet up and not like work at all. I remember her most for being so sweet and kind and fun to be around. I will miss our times together very much.

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**Daphne Harris** - January 22, 2019 at 07:43 PM

BL

“ What a beautiful and gracious lady. She will be missed for her positiveness- positive energy, positive comments and positive interactions with all. We are sorry for your loss, Tim and all of her family. Sincerely, Bess and Joe Lee

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**Bess Lee** - January 20, 2019 at 07:56 AM

MC

“ Ladi Terry was in inspiration to so many people. Her continued commitment to be a resource for others was tremendous. We lost her too soon and we thank her and her family for her beauty, grace, and love.

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**Margaret Clements** - January 16, 2019 at 01:44 PM