



Jennifer (Jenny) Kander

August 1, 1933 - October 8, 2024

Jennifer (Jenny) Kander, 91, of Bloomington passed away on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at the Bell Trace Health and Living.

She was born in 1933 in Johannesburg, South Africa, she was the daughter of Julian and Doris Atkins.

Previously a grief counselor, she became known for her radio poetry programs, The Linen of Words on WFHB and The Poets Weave on WFIU. She edited and co-edited a number of poetry books featuring the work of both Bloomington and Indiana poets and was a member of the Bloomington Free Verse Poets, later named the Tuesday Poets.

Survivors include her daughter Tamar Kander and son-in-law Jamas Brooke of Brown County, her son and daughter-in-law Nadav and Nicole Kander, of London, England, one grandson Oren (Polina) and two granddaughters, Ella and Talia Kander, all of London, a sister-in-law Miriam Lazarus of Israel and several nieces and nephews and their families.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a twin sister Elizabeth Ann, two half-sisters and one half-brother.

No services are scheduled at this time. Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Shalom Center, Friend's Place, Wild Care and The American Anti-Vivisection Society (AAVS).

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Tribute Wall

CS

“ I knew Jenny as a kind neighbor at The Woodlands townhomes a decade ago. She became special to me when she reached out after my son died unexpectedly. She came over and sat with me and was a real comfort. She also loaned me a copy of a book about grief, which I believe she had authored some years earlier. A dear woman with a deep soul, that was Jenny.

Cathy Stone - October 22, 2024 at 10:39 AM

TA

Many thanks for writing such a touching message.

Tamar - October 23, 2024 at 11:20 AM

NK

Thank you Cathy

Nadav Kander - October 25, 2024 at 10:28 AM

AM

“ Dear family, Jenny will be missed in many ways and one of them is in her writing and reading of poetry. Also she will be remembered by how she brought poetry through her radio broadcasts to so many people and helped to start Bloomington's poetry community. I send you my thoughts and condolences at this time. Antonia Matthew

Antonia Matthew - October 21, 2024 at 10:28 AM

TA

*Thank you Tonia, much appreciated.
Jenny would be very touched by your words.*

Tamar - October 21, 2024 at 04:37 PM

LS

“ We used to live at the Woodlands, so I remember Jenny very clearly. She worked hard to make our neighborhood the best it could be. May she rest in peace.

Linda Scott - October 13, 2024 at 09:56 AM

TA

Thank you Linda.

Tamar - October 16, 2024 at 11:22 AM

MH

“ Jenny was a friend of my parents and became a friend of ours when we visited Bloomington. We remember her creative and generous spirit, always encouraging of others and fostering artistic community. Jenny was ageless and vital and we will miss her. Our heartfelt condolences to the family. Marsha Hahn and Pat Moriarty, Everett, Washington

Marsha Hahn - October 12, 2024 at 08:05 PM

TA

Thank you Marsha, on behalf of Jamas and myself as well as the rest of the family.

Tamar - October 15, 2024 at 03:56 PM

NK

Thank you so much Marsha

Nadav Kander - October 25, 2024 at 10:29 AM

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Patsy Rahn - October 12, 2024 at 07:01 PM

TA

Nice pics, thanks Patsy

Tamar - October 15, 2024 at 03:57 PM