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Marilyn Hurwitz Kahn



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Kahn, Marilyn Hurwitz September 19, 1923 - July 27, 2013. Born to Thomas and Anne (Bazelon) Safer, she grew up in Shorewood with three loving brothers - Ira, David, and Ely. After graduation from the University of Wisconsin - Madison with a degree in social work, she married our father, Dr. Sidney Hurwitz in 1945. We - Richard, Linda, and James - were blessed to be raised by such wonderful parents. After our father's untimely death in 1968, mom lived a single life for 17 years. As fate would have it, Albion Kahn, whom she dated in college before she met our father, came back into her life in 1985. They married and had a wonderful life together for 11 years. She considered Al's children - Blanche Berenzweig, Shellie Blumen-

field, and Jeffery Kahn - as her own. Our mother was a role model for the entire family. Her values were transmitted by observing how she lived her life. She taught us to appreciate. She taught us to care about others. She was completely devoted to her family and she adored her friends. She was eager to please others, particularly with food. Those who knew her understood that she had a way of putting people at ease and making them feel special with just a few words. She was bright, well read, and always a source of wisdom. She was a great listener, and her gentle and caring words - sometimes advice and sometimes just empathy - were helpful, genuine, and soothing. She devoted much of her life to helping others. She was a long-time volunteer at Mount Sinai Hospital. She worked as a counselor for Jewish Family Services, for the Multiple Sclerosis Society, for a home for battered women, and for the state nursing home ombudsman program. She also counseled displaced homemakers, assisting them in obtaining higher paying jobs. Mom was well-organized, self-determined, and in control of her own destiny. She was gentle but strong. In the end, she made courageous decisions about how she would live her remaining months. She was the heart of the family and an incredible woman whose stature and nurturing selfless personality seemed to grow with each of her almost 90 wonderful years. She is survived by her children Richard Hurwitz (Judith), Linda Hurwitz (Richard Fine), and James Hurwitz, brothers David and Ely (Patsy) Safer, grandchildren Linda Graves (Michael), Laura, Sarah, and Thomas Hurwitz, and Sydney Fine, great-grandchildren Daphne and Donika Graves, and many adoring nieces, nephews, and cousins. Many thanks to the wonderful, caring Horizon hospice team who provided great comfort to our mother. Funeral services 1:00 PM Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at Congregation Shalom, 7630 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Fox Point. Interment Spring Hill Cemetery, 166 S. Hawley Ct., Milwaukee. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to one of Mom's favorite funds: The Sidney P. Hurwitz Memorial Library Fund at the Aurora Sinai Medical Center, 945 N. 12th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233; The Jewish National Fund (planting trees in the children's garden); or Congregation Shalom.





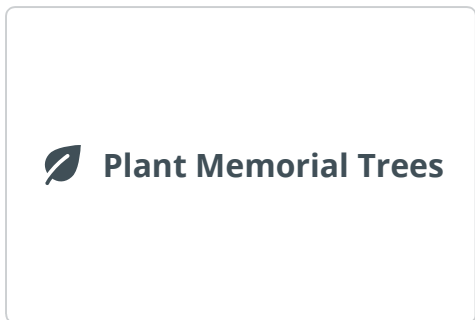
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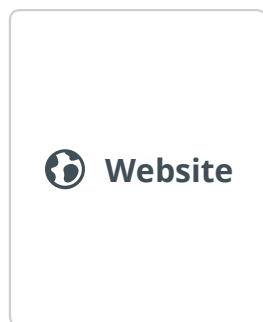
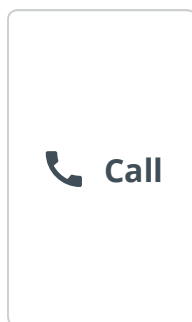
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Linda and family, please accept our deepest condolences on the death of your mother. We always found her to be a wonderful person.

Cary & Susie Silverstein

August 2, 2013

My condolences to her children, grandchildren, and family. Marilyn was a very kind soul. She gave me guidance and support when I needed it as a new medical librarian. I'll miss her.

Brenda Fay

August 1, 2013

Linda and family,

The obit you all wrote about your mother was beautiful and spoke so much about her and about your family relationships. I hope remembering all those special things about her will bring you comfort as time goes on, even though right now, however expected her death might have been, it's still a shock. I always loved seeing her in Milwaukee--looking so stunning and with welcoming conversation. Eli joins me in sending you sympathy and wishes for better times.

Linda Frank

July 31, 2013

Jim--My condolences to you and your family at this difficult time.

Belle Bernstein

July 30, 2013

So sorry to hear about Marilyn.
She had a very full life in addition to
raising a great family.
Joy Stern, Denver, CO

July 30, 2013

My deepest sympathy to the entire family on the loss of Marilyn, a
very special and wonderful lady

Suzy Ettinger

July 30, 2013

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