



## Judith Bladen

May 14, 1943 - November 23, 2018

Judith P. Bladen of Queenstown, MD, died Friday, November 23, 2018, at her home. She was 75.

Born on May 14, 1943, in Greenbelt, MD, she was the daughter of the late Arthur Raymond and Nellie Jane Wells Bladen. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by a brother, Gerald Compton Bladen.

Judy is survived by many friends and colleagues; her “sister” Rennie Harper; and the angel in her last year: her caregiver and friend, Tresa Brown.

Judy attended the University of Maryland and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Education. She began working for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service about 1970. For most of her career, she was stationed at the Patuxent Wildlife Center in Laurel, MD. She was promoted to a Program Analyst and worked with numerous wildlife biologists and statisticians. Among her duties were retrieval, proofing, editing, and summarizing large data sets. She was adept at working with the continental waterfowl breeding population data set, along with waterfowl banding data. She trained many biologists about setting up data sets for proper analysis. Judy was a respected, trusted, and valued colleague through the time she retired in 2005.

Judy enjoyed the water and fishing. With her friends and often with her mother

while her mom was alive, Judy would enjoy a day of fishing or crabbing on the Chesapeake Bay. She took many trips to Florida to “spend time on the water.” After her friends, the Caithamers moved to Wisconsin, she and Rennie traveled north in both summer and winter to visit, spend time on the water (or ice), and to catch some fish.

Above all, Judy was passionate about animals. She supported the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center, local spay and neuter clinics, and local animal shelters. She personally rescued a number of dogs and cats, and a special mention should be made of Midnight, Amos, Fluffy, Sugar Bits, Charlie, Neo, and Spike.

A generous soul, Judy gave of her time, attention, and resources to a number of causes, local and worldwide. She made people understand that they were valued. She will be missed.

A memorial service will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 1, 2018, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Chester with a visitation starting at 4 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Judy’s name to any local animal rescue, the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center, or Compass Regional Hospice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 1. 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619  
(410) 643-2226  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Memorial Service

DEC 1. 5:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Judith Bladen*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - November 30, 2018 at 08:33 AM



“ *Judith Bladen*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Judith Bladen*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Judith Bladen*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

MP

“ Judy traveled with me twice on group eco-tourism trips. In 2006, she was thrilled to see polar bears in the wild tundra of Churchill, Manitoba, and in 2008 she enjoyed the warmth of Tobago as we watched leatherback turtles lay eggs in the sandy beach at 3 AM. She was a great friend and a good fellow traveler. She will be greatly missed.

Matthew C Perry - December 03, 2018 at 08:36 AM

LK

“ Judy .... you were a wonderful friend to so many ...especially the many critters you loved and helped. Working with you at the spay/neuter clinic was a joy. Listening to what you and Rennie had been up to in your travels .. the fishing stories... will be greatly missed. I know that many many animals met you at Heaven's Gate. Rest in Peace sweet lady ... you will be missed here on Earth. Laura Kovatch



Laura Kovatch - November 29, 2018 at 04:58 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith Bladen.



November 29, 2018 at 10:12 AM

“*Judy was a caring and supportive friend. She listened and knew how to lift one's spirits. We shared some tears but many more laughs. I'll remember the many happy times we shared together.*

*Nothing was finer than fishing with Judy and her Mom, Nellie, on the Patty Lee. And Judy loved being on other waters too. Here in Wisconsin I helped her catch her first northern pike. All was going well until the pike jumped from her hands and impaled the hook into her left knee. We had to cut a hole in her new dungarees, but the ER Doctor in Shell Lake was able to make her whole again!*

*Judy made our family Christmas in Spooner very special as our boys were growing up.*

*She'd fly up and stay with us for most of a week. Our activities included cutting and decorating trees, making ornaments, baking, sledding, fishing, playing games, and watching Christmas shows. After watching "The Grinch" and "Merry Christmas Charlie Brown" I was surprised when Judy said she'd never seen these videos before. Judy would take it easy on our boys while playing card games until she realized that Ben and Jake were ruthless and could easily hold their own. One winter the snow was good and we had lots of laughs taking the plastic toboggan down our driveway. These were really good times for us.*

*Judy and Rennie made a few trips north to Spooner in the summer and fall. These were special times too. We'd catch fish in my lake and some of the other nearby lakes. One evening we played "Ghost in the Graveyard" with Judy and our friends John and Jennifer. This is a game that involves hiding in the dark behind wood piles and boats, then screaming and running before being tagged. All was going swell until Judy fell and scraped her knee. She so enjoyed acting like a kid again!*

*Judy may you Rest in Peace. We'll always have fond memories of you.*

*Dave, Jackie, Jake, and Ben Caithamer  
Spooner, Wisconsin*

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**David Caithamer** - November 28, 2018 at 09:46 AM

DC

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



**David Caithamer** - November 28, 2018 at 07:54 AM

DC

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



**David Caithamer** - November 28, 2018 at 07:52 AM

TK

“ *Tom And Donna Kaufman lit a candle in  
memory of Judith Bladen*



**Tom and Donna Kaufman** - November 27, 2018 at 07:43 PM

AL

“ Rennie, I am so sorry to hear of Judy’s passing. I loved when she would come to the pharmacy!! I enjoyed all of our chats. I loved that she loved animals, she did so much to help so many. Judy was just a peaceful soul, I will miss her. I know your heart is heavy...please don’t hesitate to call if you need anything

Alice - November 27, 2018 at 05:46 PM

JB

Judy was an amazing dear friend. She was supportive and understanding to everyone. She had a big heart and gave of her time and support to many. She will be greatly missed

Jeanette Roberts Baylor - November 29, 2018 at 09:51 AM

KK

“ Karen Kruse lit a candle in memory of Judith Bladen



Karen Kruse - November 27, 2018 at 02:08 PM

AF

“ A truly wonderful lady, it has been a pleasure and honor working with Judy for the past decade. She was a one of kind, class act and she always brightened up a room with her presence. A special person that is finally at peace. She will be missed very much. My Deepest Condolences to her entire crew.

Alex N. Fritzsche

Alex Fritzsche - November 27, 2018 at 12:49 PM

TO

“ I am so sorry to hear of Judy's passing. I have find memories of working together at CBEC. She taught me to fish form my kayak. She was truly special. I know she is resting in peace.  
Terry Otto

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**Terry Otto** - November 26, 2018 at 08:03 AM

BO

“ Beth Oliver lit a candle in memory of Judith Bladen



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**Beth Oliver** - November 25, 2018 at 07:12 PM

DJ

Always enjoyed our talks. We talked a lot about Florida but how we both loved the Chesapeake Bay. She was always smiling. Rest in peace Judy.

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**Dan Jarzynski** - November 27, 2018 at 09:28 AM

TB

Miss Judy was a very special lady she will be missed deeply she had only love in her heart for people and her pets and wild life. she was a giving person she loved talking about her friends, and her past and her family. she loved going and having lunch by the water she became my dear friend

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**thresa brown** - November 27, 2018 at 09:19 PM

BB

*Judy was a very special person, always willing to help others. She had a unique passion for everything she did and touched so many lives in a positive and caring way. Many of us were fortunate enough to share our professional career with her as well. She will always be a treasured colleague and, most of all, a lasting friend. We will miss you, Judy.*

*Bob and Shari Blohm and family*

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**Bob Blohm** - November 30, 2018 at 09:34 AM