



Sabra Andrews Fischer

August 11, 1938 - October 16, 2012

Sabra Andrews Fischer, 74, of Lexington, Michigan passed away peacefully on October 16 after a strong and determined fight against ovarian cancer. She was surrounded by her immediate family at the Blue Water Hospice in Marysville, Michigan. She will be remembered every day and deeply missed. Sabra is survived by her loving partner of 20 years, Sue Grywalski, daughter Catherine Fischer and son-in-law Keith Garbutt of Ann Arbor, Michigan, son Carl Fischer of Snoqualmie, Washington, and grandchildren Andrew Fischer-Garbutt and Davis and Caitlin Fischer. Sabra is also survived by her half-sister, Beverly Munson of Sonoma, California, cousins Barbie Sanchez of San Antonio, Texas, John "Buck" Betak of Albuquerque, New Mexico, William Betak of Portland, Oregon and ex-husband Marvin Fischer, of Sebring, Florida.

Born on August 11, 1938, the daughter of Frederick and Sabra Andrews in Glencoe, Illinois, Sabra (known in childhood as "Fred") graduated from New Trier High School and earned her B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan University. After earning her M.S.W. at Wayne State University, she built a private practice as a social worker and later as a massage therapist. She lived in Harper Woods, Michigan for 25 years while raising her two children.

In 1994 Sabra and her partner Sue moved to their 20 beautiful acres in Lexington, Michigan, near Lake Huron. Sabra continued to work as a massage therapist until her cancer diagnosis in 2010.

Sabra enjoyed a variety of activities and will be greatly missed by many

friends. She was active for many years in Michigan's holistic health community, and more recently she was President of the All Thumbs Knitting Guild, an active member of her local birders group and book club, and an avid Scrabble player. She was a devoted gardener and a cat and dog lover. Sabra lived a profoundly spiritual life, which was expressed in her lifelong devotion to helping others and in her love of nature. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations in Sabra's memory be made to the Sanilac County Humane Society or The Nature Conservancy.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00am on Monday, October 22 at the Lake Huron Retreat Center, 8794 Lakeshore Dr., Burchville, MI 48059. A light luncheon will follow.

Tribute Wall

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“ You lived a wonderful life and helped me do the same. You will always be part of me. Love Chris

Christian Bungart - October 25, 2013 at 02:09 PM

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“ I knew Sabra as a therapist and friend in th late1979's. her positive and loving influence has stayed with me all these years. She was a person of intellect, compassion and integrity. The world was a better place for myself and many others because of her. Thank you Sabra . May you rest in divine peace.

Joanne Colombo-Hughes - October 25, 2013 at 12:45 PM

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“ Dear Catherine, Keith & Andrew,
I send my sincere condolences on the death of your mother and grandmother. I feel privileged to have met her at Andrew's party less than a month ago. She told me that she had brought the U.S. puzzle as her gift to Andrew. I believe I met her briefly at Catherine's birthday party once.
We are thinking of you at this sad time.
Love, Helen

Helen Simon - October 18, 2012 at 06:25 PM