



Dr. Cynthia Ann Pfeifer-Hill

May 13, 1963 - February 14, 2024

Dr. Cynthia Ann Pfeifer-Hill passed away with valor and grace over a tough 'battle' on February 14th, 2024, in Katy TX. She was widow of Dr. Loyd V Hill. Cindy (aka Tweety Bird) was born on May 13, 1963, in Seattle, Washington to Bobette A. (Buchanan) Pfeifer and Norman R. Pfeifer.

Cindy grew up in Murrysville, PA. In secondary school she pursued interests in running cross-country, playing violin, and creating pen & ink drawings of animals and more. Her love of animals (particularly dogs) was fostered by volunteering at the local Vet Clinic. She achieved her BS of Biochemistry from Penn State University and her PhD of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology from Purdue University. After performing research fellowships at Universities of Pittsburgh and New Mexico State, she dedicated to her passion to teach at Northwestern Oklahoma State University. Starting in 1995, over 24 years she held many roles of distinction (Dean, Department Chair, winner of Dr Anna B Fisher Endowed Biology Chair and more), none more important than 'Professor' to her many beloved students.

Cindy attended and served an elder at Alva OK's First Presbyterian Church, and then served at New Hope Presbyterian Church in Katy, TX. Cindy enjoyed works in the Community, her Faith, Heartland Best Robotics, AAUW, MD Anderson Support Groups, School Programs of her Niece & Nephew, MDA Book Club and many more. She adored cooking and baking family recipes

with her niece, Josey and had a blast building legos, playing countless boardgames with Joseph, her nephew.

She always dressed up as a Mad Scientist for our halloween parties. Her leisure activities and hobbies were helping others, travel, movies, baking, books, and a great big meal with family & friends. Those who knew Cindy, experienced her love, support, and likely many gifts.

She is preceded in death by her parents and is survived by her brother (Tiger) Craig N. Pfeifer, sister-in-law (Carolyn Cheruba) JP Pfeifer, niece, and nephew; (Josey) Joseanna C. and Joseph C. Pfeifer, as well as many close friends and extended family.

While a private service was held at Dettling Funeral Home, Houston TX on February 19th, an additional Memorial Reception will be held on March 14th, 2024 at 2pm in Alva Presbyterian Church, Alva, OK her long time residence; with the intention to Remember, Pray, Honor Her Life and Share Wonderful Memories of our Wonder Woman. Memorial contributions in her memory may be made to Loyd and Cynthia Pfeifer-Hill Endowed Scholarship - The Northwestern Foundation & Alumni Association, 709 Oklahoma Blvd, Alva, OK 73717.

To give online, please visit Homepage - Northwestern Foundation & Alumni Association at <https://ournorthwestern.org/donate> select Memorial Funds/Scholarships tab to make your donation if desired. Friends and Students are invited to send condolences via the on-line guest book which can be found below. The Family appreciates all your love and support.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

Alva Presbyterian Church
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall

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“ Cindy think of you often and know you are with all of us- your impact on the MD Anderson ladies support group and my introduction to you and all the wonderful ladies has completely changed me and kept me whole. Thank you and love you always. God Bless You.

Kristin Pizan - May 12, 2024 at 12:33 PM

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“ Love you Cindy for the fighter you are! There are very few in this world who can live the way like you have all through your life! Kudos to your spirit and may we take inspiration from this journey of yours to be grateful for what we have!



Jaipriya Jayaraman - March 11, 2024 at 09:00 AM

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“ Dr Pfeifer-Hill was an amazing professor and advisor. She was always willing to stay late or come early to answer questions, go over notes, and provide any assistance she could to help a student succeed. She made sure everyone had the opportunity to succeed and taught students to love science. As a former student, much of what I learned from her I still use today in my profession. She was an amazing woman and her dedication to truly educating students is unmatched.

Shelley Reidy - March 06, 2024 at 06:50 PM



“ *Charlotte Selfridge lit a candle in memory of Dr. Cynthia Ann Pfeifer-Hill*



Charlotte Selfridge - March 04, 2024 at 11:12 AM