



Ursula "Uschi" Elizabeth (Goetz) Vogel

April 28, 1942 - March 1, 2024

Ursula "Uschi" Elizabeth (Goetz) Vogel passed on to her eternal home with Jesus on March 1, 2024, in Gainesville, GA. Uschi was born April 28, 1942, in Kaiserslautern, Germany, spent summers in Avignon, France, and emigrated to Little Neck, NY, when she was 14 years old. She married the love of her life, Warren Vogel, in 1961. After their two daughters were born, they moved to Columbus, OH, in 1965 to raise their family.

Ursula was a stellar student who quickly mastered the English language and graduated early from Bayside High School. She attended Hunter College in NYC, and graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Education. Uschi became a US citizen in 1968, and together with Warren shared a strong sense of patriotism, faith and family.

During her career in education, Uschi taught High School German, co-authored a German college textbook (Lesen, Lachen, Lernen), created computer practice games for German students, as well as designed and taught conversational German classes for adults traveling abroad. She is warmly remembered for encouraging everyone to rise to their best grammar, regardless of the language!

Uschi and Warren retired to Savannah, GA, in 1992. They both had a passion for golf, and could be found playing several times a week at The Landings

Club on Skidaway Island. She became famous for her incredible cooking and warm hospitality, and therefore countless memorable dinner parties. The entire family was able to enjoy their 20 years of living in “paradise.” Her most recent 10 years were spent with new friends in a wonderful community at Lanier Village Estates (LVE) in Gainesville, GA. She was extremely grateful for the extraordinary kindness, love and care from everyone at LVE.

Uschi leaves behind a legacy of love that will forever resonate in the lives of her family and friends. May her memory continue to inspire us to live with the same devotion and grace she exemplified throughout her extraordinary life.

She is survived by daughters Deborah (Michael) Brannan and Denise (Jeffrey) Johnson; grandchildren Benjamin, Zachary, and Laura Brannan, Christopher and Erica Johnson; sister Diana Kotlar Tice; sister-in-law Arlene Umlauf; nephews Gerald Jr. (Monica) Umlauf, Arthur (Doreen) Umlauf, Kristian (Tova) Umlauf and eight grand-nephews and grand-nieces. She is preceded in death by her husband of 55 years Warren Vogel; parents, Albert and Elisabeth Kotlar; parents-in-law, Arthur and Mary Vogel; and brother-in-law Gerald Umlauf.

A memorial service will be held in the Chapel at Lanier Village Estates on Monday, March 18, 2024, at 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, you may consider a tax-deductible donation in Ursula’s memory to ACTS Legacy Foundation with “LVE Employee Enrichment Fund” in the memo line. Checks can be mailed to:

ACTS Legacy Foundation
Lanier Village Estates
4000 Village View Drive
Gainesville, GA 30506

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Lanier Village Estates
4000 Village View Dr
Gainesville, GA 30506

Tribute Wall

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“ Uschi was one of my dearest friends. She was delightful always ready with an insightful observation, be it a matter of another person’s needs or situation or of our society at large. There was only one failing and that was an inability to be a passenger dating back to her seasickness crossing over the Atlantic at the age of fourteen. So it was that we left the driving to her.

Stanley Longman - March 05, 2024 at 09:31 PM



“ My name is penny Brecht. I am a CNA at Willow Brook Court at Lanier Village. I had the opportunity to get to know, Miss Vogel , even though it was for a short time, the most memorable that me and Miss Vogel had together was on Sundays, I would soak her feet, put on the special cream, and by the end of the time that she spent with us, her feet were so soft and she was so happy I’m glad I was able to help make her happy and her final

Penny Brecht - March 05, 2024 at 05:55 PM

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“ Debbie, Denise and the entire Vogel Clan.

Our lives have been enriched since the day our paths first crossed. Uschi's love of family was shared each time we met, spoke on the phone or wrote a note. It wasn't just the story that was told, it was her love of each family member that was involved. We would laugh, compare family notes and share with pride each family milestone. And although there is a hole in our hearts, there is a joy in believing that she and Warren are together forever- laughing and loving through eternity. Cindi and Rick Vogel (and the rest of the Savannah Vogels.)

Cindi & Rick Vogel - March 05, 2024 at 04:22 PM

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“ I am happy to say that I have been able to count Uschi among my friends for these past few years. We shared many long talks and I am enriched for having known her and having learned from her. I will never see an Oxford Comma, or a place that needs an Oxford Comma, without thinking of her. She will be missed.

Judy Newsom - March 05, 2024 at 03:47 PM