



## Judith A. Balcerzak

April 22, 2022

Judith Ann “Balzy” Balcerzak, 79, of Surprise, Arizona died April 22nd, 2022 in Surprise, Arizona after a battle with lung cancer. She was born on March 31st, 1943 to Paul and Rita Bentley in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Judie was a “Judie Of All Trades”. She had a variety of interests and was good, if not great at all of them. A master entertainer, Judie loved throwing parties and having all of her friends around her any chance she had. She also loved to cook and bake and was famous for her homemade chocolates. She also enjoyed knitting, golfing, playing mahjong and was especially competitive when it came to playing Bridge; she loved to win at Bridge! Judie was a lot of things but she was never one to just sit around and let the world pass her by. She worked more jobs than we could ever hope to list and touched more lives than we will ever know.

Even if you had never met her, Judie was the type of woman who would give you a big hug the second you walked through the door. She was an amazing grandmother and loved to spoil her three granddaughters.

She is survived by her children Justine Balcerzak and William “Bill” Balcerzak (Jennifer) her siblings Joanne Kosnicki, James Bentley (Carol), and Jack “John” Bentley (Cris) and her three grandchildren Caitlin Tiemeyer (Jason), Caylee Balcerzak (Carter), and Carmen Balcerzak. She was preceded in

death by her husband, Tom.

# Tribute Wall

NW

“ *It is with sadness I understand of Judy’s passing. I was a good friend of her daughter, and despite not meeting in person I know how much she was loved by her family. My thoughts are with them.*

Ned Waith - July 05, 2025 at 02:44 PM

TT

“ *I only got to speak with her a few times but it was always a hoot. Very clear that she was adored by Justine. It’s hard to comprehend why we lose people like Judith when they are so widely loved and needed. I lost my mom this past summer as well. Justine, would love to hear from you.*

Todd T. - September 08, 2024 at 06:21 PM

JO

“ *With a heavy heart I send deep sympathy to the family. I have adored Judie for nearly 50 years for her warm personality, great wit, and tenacity in excelling in everything she did. I cherish our many times together. Until we meet again, dear friend, fly high beautiful angel.*

Jean Oswald - May 07, 2022 at 07:18 PM

MW

“ *Was sorry to hear of Judy’s passing. My sympathies to the Balzerzak family.*

Margaret Warner - April 30, 2022 at 12:27 AM

DF

“ Our sincere and deepest sympathy to the Balcerzak family. We will miss her visits to Des Moines when she would visit her granddaughter. We loved having her stay with us. I will miss our many email conversations very early in the mornings when most people aren't up yet! I will miss seeing your smile, your laughter and your friendship when I return to AZ this winter. If there is bridge and golf in heaven, I know you will be playing! May you rest in peace, my friend. Donna and Bob Fisher

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**Donna Fisher** - April 28, 2022 at 07:10 PM

GW

“ Our deepest sympathy to you all. Judy was a lovely lady, mother, and grandmother! So glad we got to spend some time with her at Caitlin and Jason's reception in Milwaukee last year. She really lights up a room with her grace and sense of style! And she was great fun to dance with too! Her presence in your lives will be sorely missed.

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**Gary & Becky Wawak** - April 28, 2022 at 02:04 PM

PM

“ Will always remember our delightful visit regarding photos with old vehicles on your living room tables from times past and identifying them specifically. Also great visit in the western themed wedding of Dr Daniel Nightingale and his lovely wife, Lynn, in Chino Valley. You are such a classy, beautiful, friendly, lady with a vibrant and delightful personality. Our 🥹💔 to Justine, family and friends. We always anticipated your delicious holiday homemade candies, so yummy!

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**Paul & Suzy Monk** - April 28, 2022 at 01:10 PM

BS

“*Judie was a lovelyL- a classy ladyA- artful decorator and dresserD- dynamite cookY- yeah, also add good golfer, bridge player and Winer hostess. She will be sorely missed.*

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**Bev Schulet** - April 27, 2022 at 07:07 PM

Jl

“*i've had the pleasure of knowing Mrs. Balcerzak since i was 14, always cordial – always the charmer. her essence will be missed, no doubt. my condolences to Justine and Bill and the entire family.*

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**Jeff Ircink** - April 27, 2022 at 02:55 PM

KH

“*I have so many great memories of Judie.I miss all the fun times with her.She was a beautiful lady.She gave the greatest parties andIt's true that she Did not loose very often at anything. She lived up to her name “Balzie “We love and miss you, Judie.*

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**Kathy Head** - April 26, 2022 at 10:21 PM

JH

“*Judie will be missed greatly. I will never forget her great cream puffs. And yes, she could throw a party.*

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**Jim Head** - April 26, 2022 at 10:09 PM

DN

“*Our sincerest sympathies to Judie's family. You will no doubt be sorely missed by many. It was a pleasure knowing you.*

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**Dr and Mrs Daniel Nightingale** - April 26, 2022 at 08:32 PM

DN

“ Her elegance was matched only by her sense of humor and low threshold for nonsense. She brightened the room every time I was in her presence, and I’m grateful to have known her and seen her in the past few weeks. Love to her, and to you.

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**Dan Navarro** - April 26, 2022 at 07:49 PM

AK

“ Justine & family, my deepest condolences to you all. Thank you for entrusting us to handle the arrangements for such a special lady!

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**Ashley Keese** - April 26, 2022 at 02:51 PM