



Paulette "Polly" Goldberg Perler

December 4, 1944 - June 3, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Hannah Paulette "Polly" Goldberg Perler, 79, passed away on June 3, 2024, in Oxford, Mississippi.

Born in Greenwood, MS, on December 4, 1944, Polly was the daughter of the late Harry and Esther Gelman Goldberg. She grew up in Greenwood, where she gained retail experience working on weekends as a teenager in Goldberg's Shoe Store. She attended Greenwood High School, where she was a member of the marching band and played flute, piccolo and marimba.

Polly earned a bachelor's degree in economics at Vanderbilt University, where she met the love of her life, Marc Perler. They married in May 1966 in Denver, Colorado, where Marc was stationed in the Air Force. They lived in several places before settling in Tupelo, MS, in 1976.

Polly and Marc built a beautiful life as a 24/7 couple - always together at home and at work, as business partners and life partners. They recently celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary, continuing to be a remarkable example of a long-lasting partnership filled with mutual respect and a lot of love and admiration. They were active members of Temple B'nai Israel, and Polly became one of the congregation's most reliable shofar soloists on the Jewish

High Holidays. For more than 40 years, they owned and operated MAP Sound and Video (named MAP for Marc and Polly), where they sold and repaired high-end consumer electronics, installed commercial sound systems in businesses and churches in a three-state area, and provided sound and lights for local performances, festivals, high school and university commencement ceremonies, and community events. Marc always says that Polly was the brains behind the whole operation! They retired in December 2019 and moved to Oxford to be closer to family members in late 2021.

Polly loved spending time with family and friends. As her nephew, newspaper editor Lew Cohn described, she had a soft drawl to her voice that charmed and delighted, and she could carry on a conversation with anyone she had met for even a second, and remember them as if they were longtime friends the next time they saw each other. Polly welcomed all into her home and was a “second mama” to many of her kids’ friends. She always made sure the door was open and the snacks were plentiful – especially the M&Ms in the dispenser!

During their years together, Polly and Marc enjoyed sailing, traveling and scuba diving – being on the water was always Polly’s favorite place to be. Polly loved to listen to Marc play his guitar and sing offkey to her. She was an incredible baker, and she loved dancing and jazzercise and began sketching and painting in recent years. She will always be remembered as having the sweetest smile and a spunky twinkle in her eyes.

Polly is survived by her husband Marc Perler; her children Keith Perler (Melissa) of Oxford and Stephanie Perler Garst (Barry) of Central, SC; her sisters Judy Feldt of Frisco, TX, and Ina Fried (Aaron) of Niskayuna, NY; and her granddaughters, Hadyn Perler, Larkin Perler, Savannah Garst, and Laurel Garst.

Visitation will be Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 6:30-8:00pm at Temple B'nai Israel in Tupelo, MS. A memorial service for family and close friends will follow at 8:00pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial gifts be made to:

Temple B'nai Israel in Tupelo, MS

The American Heart Association

URJ Henry S. Jacobs Camp

Thank you to all of those who loved Polly and to those who had the chance to know and care for her. We have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of kindness, support and sweet memories shared.

The staff of Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is honored to serve the family during this challenging season of life.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **15**. 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Temple B'nai Israel
1301 Marshall Street
Tupelo, MS 38804

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ We shall sorely miss our Paulette - - - always considered her to be a dear friend, even though directions and distance separated us. May GOD richly bless her family. Understand, though, - - - back in high school we often severely disliked her - - but - - - ONLY because SHE SET THE CURVE SO HIGH IN MATH CLASSES. We had loads of fun.

Curtis Murphree - June 12, 2024 at 02:20 PM

AF

“ My condolences on the loss of your mother, Polly. May her memory be a blessing. Sincerely, Allison Flynn

Allison Flynn - June 12, 2024 at 08:09 AM

LF

“ Love Lew and Betty Cohn & family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Paulette "Polly" Goldberg Perler.



Love Lew and Betty Cohn & family - June 11, 2024 at 06:41 PM

PE

“ Perlors purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paulette "Polly" Goldberg Perler.



Perlors - June 08, 2024 at 06:06 PM