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ST. KATHARINEN

05. October 2025

Death is nothing at all
by Henry Scott Holland

Death is nothing at all.
I have only slipped away to the next room.
I am I and you are you.
Whatever we were to each other,
that, we still are.

Call me by my old familiar name.
Speak to me in the easy way
which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone.
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me. Pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word
that it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect.
Without the trace of a shadow on it.

Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same that it ever was.
There is absolute unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind
because I am out of sight?

I am but waiting for you.
For an interval.
Somewhere. Very near.
Just around the corner.

All is well.

In Memory of our dedicated Zontians

WE WANT TO REMEMBER OUR FELLOW ZONTIANS,
WHO PASSED AWAY IN THIS BIENIUM.
WE WANT TO HONOR
THEIR SUPPORT, THEIR ENERGY,
AND THEIR ZONTA SPIRIT.

Area 01

„A dedicated Zontian at heart, Florence was an International Director, Governor D27, Area Director, and President of ZC Luxembourg, holding numerous positions in our organisation to advance women’s rights. She was a wonderful, powerful woman and a dear friend to many.“



Florence Fischer

† 03.08.2024

ZC Luxembourg

Area 01

*Andrée was an open minded person
whose creativity was
much appreciated for the charity
events of her Zonta club.*



Andrée Ley Goniva

† 20.09.2025

ZC Esch-sur-Alzette

Area 02

C'est un quatrième cancer qui a eu raison de son énergie, de son courage et de sa grande force morale. Le Club Zonta de Lyon gardera d'elle l'image d'une longue présidence placée sous le signe de l'élégance, de l'innovation et de la créativité, de la gentillesse, de la générosité, de l'empathie et de l'attention aux plus modestes.



Marie Claude Girard

† 16.08.2025
ZC Lyon

Area 02

*Past President, ZC Paris 1
Past President, ZC Paris-Etoile
Past Governor, D27 1998-2000*

*Jacqueline Shernetzky,
femme d'action et de conviction, a
porté haut les valeurs du Zonta pen-
dant 44 ans et laisse derrière elle un
précieux héritage militant.*



Jacqueline Shernetzky

† 02.04.2024

ZC Vitry-le-François

Area 02

Nathalie Fund, très engagée dans la vie professionnelle, sociale et associative, a été très généreuse de son temps et de son énergie en faveur des femmes.

Past President



Nathalie Fund-Misler

† 20.10.2023

ZC Nancy

Area 03

She was one of the first female pastors in the Protestant Church in Germany (1974-1999 first female pastor at St. Andreas in Verden, Germany).

At that time, female pastors were not allowed to marry. She broke off her engagement in order to follow her calling as a pastor.

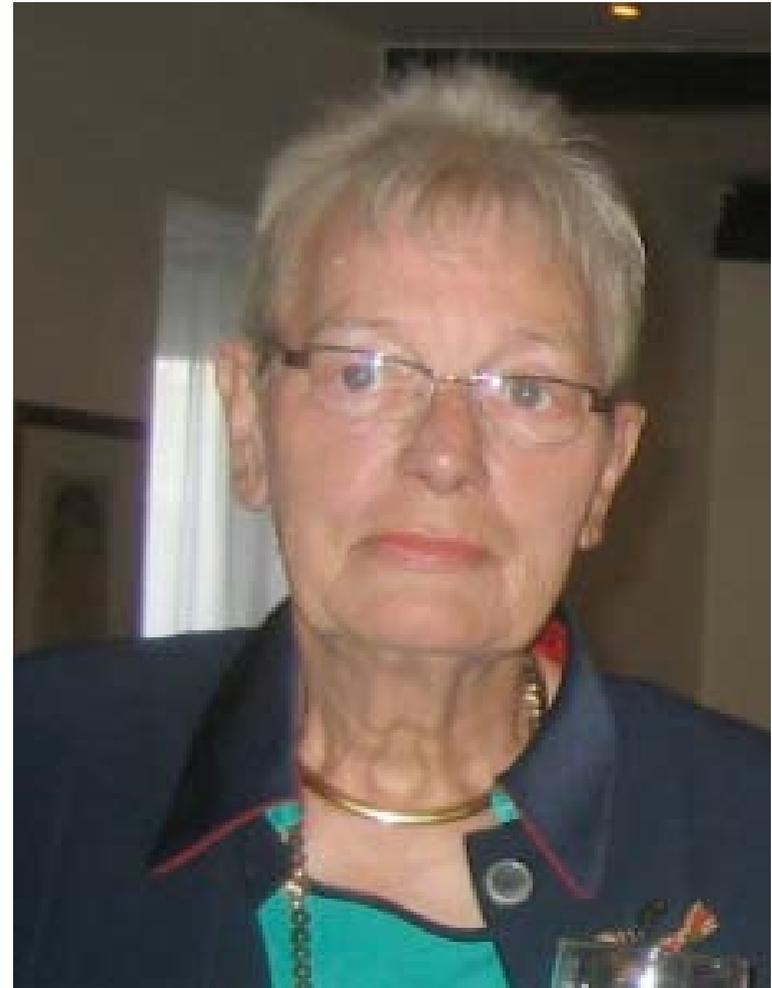
The picture shows her at our last Christmas party in December 2024, during her traditional picture devotion. That was always a particularly beautiful and reverent moment at our Christmas parties.



Heide Marie-Ingeborg Wehmeyer
† 03.07.2025
ZC Bremen

Area 03

Hille was a Zonta member who was fighting to make the world a better and safer place for women and girls. Hille was a member of action. We were able to spend many good years in sisterhood. We will miss her Energy.



Hille Gosejacob-Rolf
† 08.02.2024
ZC Osnabrück

Area 03

As a dentist Anke regularly took care for homeless people in a mobile dental surgery.

Since Anke knew many of well known and honorable people in the town she delighted our club with numerous interesting lecturers. Anke was a famous host and held many private meetings.



Anke Grunwaldt

† 09.08.2023

ZC Hamburg - Elbufer

Area 03

When her 3 children were just small, Ingeborg started her studies in biology and law. She turned out to be a demanded patent attorney with worldwide customers and gave an example for independency. As our president 2002-2004 she asserted her diplomatic abilities.



Ingeborg Voelker

† 13.11.2024

ZC Hamburg - Elbufer

Area 03

Geboren am 6. Oktober 1921, gestorben am 7. Juni 2025 im Alter von 103

Sie war eine Wegbereiterin, ein außergewöhnliches Vorbild und für unseren Club noch viel mehr: Unterstützerin, Gastgeberin, Mutmacherin und Freundin.



Dr. Julia Dingwoort-Nusseck
† 07.06.2025
ZC Hamburg

Area 03

*Barbara war ein sehr liebevoller
Mensch mit viel Kraft und Ausdauer.*



Dr. Barbara Edelmann

† 23.09.2025

ZC Verden

Area 03

*Als erste „Oberstarzt (weibl.)“ in
Deutschland hat sie sich in einer
Männerwelt - Bundeswehr -
erfolgreich durchgesetzt.*



Dr. Dr. Uta Hammer

† 07.09.2025
ZC Hamburg

Area 04

We are deeply saddened by the loss of our dear Zonta sister Marianna Sabadosh.

(Zonta club of Uzhhorod, Ukraine)

Though she is not longer with us, her spirit remains with us - resilient, caring and brave. Majka's (as we called her) strength, compassion and dedication to Zonta mission and her leadership will continue to inspire us.

Her time with us was far too short but her legacy will live on, in all lives she touched. We miss her deeply, remember fondly and honor her in action.



Marianne Sabadoch

† 01.05.2024
ZC Uzhhorod

Area 05

*A strong woman, with quiet strength, acting consistently according to her clear opinions and vision, reflected in her two-year tenure as chair, caring and vigilant like a shepherd guiding the club through the pandemic.
A true Zontienne.
Thank you, dear Lieve*



Lieve Van Riel

† 28.12.2023
ZC Damme

Area 05

Past D27 Governor

*Plichtsbewust heeft Ina
altijd de missie van Zonta hoog
in het vaandel gedragen.*



Ina Thys-L'abbé
† 16.11.2024
ZC Kortrijk

Area 06

*A founding member of
Z.C. Brussel Zavel (1979),
she was social in her commitment
to Zonta and concerned about sick
fellow human beings, enterprising
in her studies and profession,
curious and adventurous in many
areas*



Mieke Delesie

† 19.12.2024

ZC Brussel Zavel

Area 06

*As a club member
Lieve Van Bruystegem
has been committed to the Zonta
ideals for many years. For years
she was chairman of an award
committee within the club.*



Lieve Van Bruystegem

† 02.02.2024

ZC Brussel Zavel

Area 06

*Bernadette Rots,
chartermember of ZC Waasland.
Born organiser of fantastic
weekends in the Ardennes and
numerous other events.
For a number of years she was a
member of the Service Committee.*



Bernadette Rots

† 28.06.2023

ZC Waasland

Area 06

*Trees Verkercke,
long time member and inspiring
organiser of memorable
poolparties and weekends in the
Ardennes.*



Trees Verkercke

† 26.08.2024

ZC Waasland

Area 07

Heide Rohloff's election as Women's Representative together with Sabine Kunst had a formative impact on the entire university; both held their positions from 1993 to 1998. This period was formative because the two professors now institutionalised the academic emancipation movement of the 1970s and 1980s and thus also brought gender equality into focus at the University of Hannover. The English Department was already out of the ordinary at that time because the majority of professorships as well as the mid-level faculty and staff positions were held by women.



Prof. Dr. Heide Rohloff

† 17.09.2024
ZC Hannover

Area 07

*„Gudrun Tiedt
was a founding member of our
Zonta Club Goslar St. Barbara.
Not only during her time as
president, she was enthusiastically
committed to promoting
young women and introduced
the art prize that our club still
awards annually.
We will greatly miss her smile and
her wealth of ideas.*



Gudrun Tiedt
† 14.01.2025
ZC Goslar St. Barbara

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