

Judy Geiger Memorial Scholarship Application

Applicants should have:

- A Grade point average of 3.0 or above
- Participated in School extra-curricular activities
- Leadership skills
- Community service history

Please include the following in your Personal Essay:

- What is your name?
- Where are you from and what makes it a special place for you?
- How has living there affected your life in a positive way?
- How have you contributed to your community?
- What are your college educational plans?
- What has contributed to your desire to pursue this path?
- Why do you feel you will be a success?
- Connect yourself with this scholarship through: Personal experience, personal interests, people you know, your future plans...

Please provide us with the names and phone numbers of two people, other than a family member, whom we might call to verify your character:

1. _____ Phone _____

2. _____ Phone _____

Who was Judy Geiger?

Judy, or Judith Ann Breslin, was born August 4, 1938 in Detroit Michigan to Edward and Marion Breslin. Judy was a very intelligent young lady. She was double promoted, skipping two grades in elementary school, graduating valedictorian of her class at age 16.

She graduated Cum Laude from Michigan State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Education, at age 20. Teaching for two years in the Detroit area, she then moved to San Diego to teach and met Bernard Geiger.

She and Bernie were married in 1964 and lived in Ogden, Utah for a year and a half. Judy taught elementary school. When not working, she and Bernie would snow ski, hunt and fish with good friends. Their first child was born there before they moved to Laytonville, California to assist Bernie's parents in managing their Market. They were to give it two years and then move back to Utah, but never left.

Bernie and Judy were married for life, and devoted many years to the betterment of their community and the people, kids especially, in it.

Judy was a Founding member of the Laytonville Lioness Club, the Laytonville Little Theater and the Laytonville Little Peoples Pre-School. She was Chairman of the De-unification Committee for Laytonville Unified School District and a 15 year School Board member, taught swimming lessons in the river and the Cottage Motel swimming pool, joined the Laytonville Rodeo Association in its second year, serving as their secretary-treasurer for 36 years, and brought Ballet and Gymnastics to Laytonville in the mid 1970's.

As Laytonville Fire was a family affair, Judy served as a member of the Laytonville Fire Auxiliary for more than a decade. She was owner of Judy & Kids Construction Company and partner in G & R Construction Company. Judy also starred in and directed multiple musical theater productions, bowled in a league and played town team softball.

She owned and managed the Clothes Closet and The Annex, loved Travel and cultural experiences with family and friends and was a devoted Bridge Club member for over 25 years.

Judy was preceded in death by her husband Bernard R. Geiger and is survived by her daughter Shanna Braught, her husband Michael and their children Madyline and Emma of Laytonville, California, her son Erik Geiger, his wife Melanie and their children Ryan and Austin of Celina, Texas and her daughter Amy Geiger of Salem, Oregon. Judy was also Mother to two foreign exchange students: Kristin Bazoche (Germany) and Pablo Canas-Couselo (Spain).

She was mother to many other children, foreign and domestic, who shared the Geiger home for varied lengths of time. She saw more in people than they often saw in themselves and the same could be said of her vision for her community.

Judith Ann (Breslin) Geiger left a legacy: Community advocate, generous and philanthropic, direct, just minded and a loyal friend.