

REMEMBRANCES OF

University Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Friends



ROBERT BASS
BS'08, March 1,
2018, Hallsville,
Texas. Bass earned
a degree in economics and was a
professional poker player.



BRIAN BLACK
BS'85, March 23,
2018, Houston,
Texas. Black gradu-
ated with a degree in computer
science and worked for Texas
Instruments, NASA and HP.



**DIANE LEA
BROWN**, Teach-
er Certification'96,
BA'99, May 5, 2018,
Burnet, Texas. She earned a
degree in psychology and taught
for 18 years at Haggard Middle
School in Plano, Texas.



JULIA BUTTS
MAT'85, June 6,
2018, Dallas. Butts
earned a degree
in math and science education.
She taught eighth-grade math
for 25 years.



**DR. VINCENT
CIRILLO**, 1925-
2018. Dr. Vincent
Cirillo, a longtime
senior lecturer at UT Dallas, died
in August at the age of 92. Cirillo
came to UT Dallas in 1992
after retiring from Stony Brook
University in New York. For 24
years, Cirillo taught lab and lec-
ture classes in the UT Dallas
Department of Biological Scienc-
es. He also developed a science
curriculum project for local ele-
mentary schools. Cirillo last
taught in fall 2016 and, accord-
ing to colleagues, he was pleased
to have exceeded his ambition to

teach at the age of 90. He and his
wife, Lilli, played an active role
in the Civil Rights movement
in the 1960s and participat-
ed in national and local efforts
to end segregation and discrim-
ination. Cirillo and his wife also
were supporters of the Ackerman
Center for Holocaust Studies at
UT Dallas.



**MICHAEL D'AU-
GUSTINE** BS'15
Feb. 10, 2018,
Dallas. D'Augustine
graduated with a degree in com-
puter science and worked as a
junior software developer.

CAROL GLADYS DEFFLEY,
1939-2018. Carol Deffley, a
former assistant librarian in the
Eugene McDermott Library, died
on April 10 in Delaware.



GREGORY DENNEY
BS'89, April 21,
2018, Dona Ana
County, New
Mexico. He earned a degree in
business administration.



**DR. WALTER M.
DUNCAN**, 1952-
2018. Dr. Walter
Duncan, research
professor in the Erik Jonsson
School of Engineering and Com-
puter Science, died on March 24
after battling brain cancer. Upon
earning a doctorate in chemis-
try from North Carolina State
University at Raleigh in 1980, he
moved to Dallas and began work-
ing at Texas Instruments, first
in the Materials Science Labo-
ratory of TI's Central Research
Laboratories and later in the Dig-
ital Light Processing business.
He was a senior member of the

technical staff when he retired
in 2009. While working at TI,
Duncan also served as a profes-
sor at UTD, where he advised
doctoral candidates.



DONNA FOSTER
MS'77, Feb. 15,
2018, Dallas. Foster
was an elementary
school teacher for 17 years.



ANN HURTTE
BS'90, May 31,
2018, Junction,
Texas. She earned a
degree in public administration.



PAUL JENNINGS
BS'81, March 10,
2018, Dallas. Jen-
nings served in the
U.S. Air Force and later worked
as a software developer.



ARIOBARZAN KIARASH
BS'88, Feb. 10,
2018, Tucson, Arizo-
na. Kiarash earned a
degree in biology and worked as
an orthopedic surgeon and clini-
cal assistant professor.



**STANLEY KOWAL-
SKY** MA'88, May
10, 2018, Rich-
ardson. Kowalsky
graduated with a master's degree
in political economy.



ERNESTINE MASK
MAT'84, May 5,
2018, Dallas. Mask
taught high school
science for more than 45 years.

TERRESA D. MOSS BS'86, Dec.
12, 2017, Galt, California. Moss
graduated *magna cum laude*
with a degree in special educa-
tion. She was a devoted teacher
of the visually impaired and in
special education for 29 years.



JUDITH NESKY
BA'00, June 1, 2018,
Richardson. She
graduated with a
degree in literary studies.



**MARGARET GRIF-
FITH OLSSON**,
1933-2018. Mar-
garet (Peggy)
Griffith Olsson worked in the
Eugene McDermott Library
from 1980 until her retire-
ment in 1997. During her tenure,
Olsson provided reference ser-
vice, library instruction and
online searching services to
the University community. In
1989 she was awarded the Ethel
Ward-McLemore Award for
Library Excellence for developing
the library's instruction program.



SHIRLEY PECK
BS'84, May 21,
2018, Arling-
ton, Texas. Peck
earned a degree in business
administration and founded
an accounting firm.



FARIDA SALEH
MS'77, PHD'76,
May 14, 2018,
Denton, Texas.
Saleh earned degrees in chem-
istry. She worked for the city
of Dallas, Texas AGM Universi-
ty and the University of North
Texas.



ARLIN SMITH
BA'93, March 11,
2018, Las Colinas,
Texas. Smith gradu-
ated with a degree in sociology.



IVAN SOTELO
BS'11, April 18,
2018, Dallas. Sotelo
earned a degree in
speech-language pathology and
audiology.



**VIRGINIA TRAU-
BERT** BS '86, Aug.
14, 2018, Bozeman,
Montana. Traubert
earned a degree in art.



LIN WANG MS'18,
Sept. 21, 2018,
Dallas. Wang earned
a degree in account-
ing from the Naveen Jindal
School of Management.

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faculty, staff or friend, please send information
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