



Jane Perry-Camp Schiffman

October 5, 1936 - March 18, 2018

DR. ELINOR JANE PERRY-CAMP SCHIFFMAN passed away on March 18, 2018, in Tallahassee, FL from complications of Alzheimer's Disease. Dr. Perry-Camp was born October 5, 1936, in Durham, NC. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from Duke University in 1958 with an AB degree. Studying extensively with Edward Kilenyi and Ernst von Dohnányi at Florida State University, with special emphasis on Mozart, she earned her Master of Music in Piano Performance in 1960 and her Doctor of Philosophy in Music Theory in 1968.

She made her solo European debut in 1973 with a recital in the Salle Chopin-Pleyel in Paris, followed by a 1974 performance in Wigmore Hall, London. In 1981, she performed both solo and chamber works in New York's Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center. During August 1982, she was featured as a chamber musician in The International Music Festival of Oxford (England). Harold Schiffman's Concerto for Piano and Orchestra (1982), which she premiered in February 1984, was written for her, as was his Chamber Concertino for Piano and Double Wind Quintet (1985), which she premiered in 1986. On November 15, 1994, in Greensboro, NC, she played the first full performance of Schiffman's Spectrum, My Ladye Jane's Booke: Eighteen Fugues and Postludes for Piano (1992). She performed Schiffman's Blood Mountain: A Song Cycle (2007) in New York on March 9, 2008. Prior to coming to FSU she taught Piano and music theory at Sweet Briar College in Virginia. She was a former president of the American Society for 18th Century Studies (ASECS).

She was a beloved wife, cherished friend, gifted classical pianist, intelligent, and witty.

She is survived by her husband, Harold Schiffman and stepson Roger Schiffman. She is preceded in death by her parents Harold Sanford Perry and Margrid (Hagelberg) Perry and brother Norman Perry.

Scotti Barden is assisting the Schiffman family with their arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ I just now read of Dr Perry-Camp's death. I was fortunate to study piano with her at Sweet Briar College. She was a wonderful pianist, teacher, and most importantly, human being.

I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to know her. Every time I play the piano, I think of her.

Karen Bewick

Karen Bewick - July 31, 2020 at 01:21 PM

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“ I am saddened to recently learn of Dr. Perry-Camp's passing. From a personal perspective, she was one of the kindest individuals I have known, and from a professional one, an intellectually stimulating professor who brought it to every class. Her Mozart analysis course brings back one of my fondest educational experiences. Condolences to Harold and the rest of the family.

*Mark Montgomery
Detroit MI*

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“ My family was so very blessed to know Jane. She was a beautiful, ultra-talented pianist whose fingers flew across the keyboard. Her bright blue eyes sparkled whenever she spoke. She had an amazing sense of humor too! She will be greatly missed. The world has lost an incredible woman but heaven has gained an angel. Love you sweet Jane...The Keeler Family

Mary Keeler - March 23, 2018 at 12:34 PM