



Edwin Holmgren

June 13, 1934 - December 31, 2020

Edwin Holmgren- born June 13, 1934 Rock Springs Wyoming Grew up in several Western locations. Graduated Stanford University with great distinction, Phi Beta Kappa. MS in Library Science from University of Illinois. Reference Librarian, Gary Indiana; Assistant Director Summit New Jersey Public Library. He met Priscilla in Summit. They were married December 27, 1959. USAID contract Bangkok, Thailand to set up engineering library for Thai Highway Department. Daughter Maurine born in Bangkok. Assistant Director New Orleans Public Library. Son Philip born in New Orleans. Associate Director Rochester, New York Public Library. Senior Vice President and Director of the Branch Library System New York Public Library- 83 branches in Bronx, Manhattan and Staten Island. He was a member of the American Library Association and the International Association of Metropolitan Library Directors.

Edwin took full advantage of New York's cultural scene and served on the Lincoln Center Arts Council. He loved to travel. Always creative, in retirement he became a book artist. For sixteen years he volunteered at the Library studio recording books for the blind.

After moving to Kendal in March 2006 he enjoyed walking in Rockwood Park and the Rockefeller Preserve and taking many Kendal trips exploring Westchester. He served on the Residents Council. He really enjoyed the many concerts at Kendal.

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Maurine Holmgren - January 09, 2021 at 11:52 AM

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“ *Edwin was my mentor. I was the children's consultant when he was the Director of the Rochester (NY) / Monroe County system. He encouraged me to apply for the position of of Coordinator of Children's Services when Barbara Rollock retired. I did and was happily appointed. He was a significant player in my career and supportive of my ideas for new programs. Edwin made a difference in the public library field and he left footprints in the path of pursuing excellence nationally and internationally.*

Julie Cummins

Julie Cummins - January 06, 2021 at 01:11 PM

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Dear Julie, thank you for you comments. I think they are a true reflection of my father.
Maurine Holmgren

Maurine Holmgren - January 08, 2021 at 06:23 PM

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