



June Agger

December 9, 1919 - March 8, 2009

June "Elin" (as she preferred to be called) Agger, age 89, of Fort Collins, died March 8 at 3:55 AM. Cremation will be conducted and no services are planned. June Elin Williams was born on December 9, 1919 in Oak Park, Illinois to Abraham and Elizabeth Williams. She grew up and attended school in Oak Park. She attended the University of Illinois in Champaign for two years where she met Howard Agger in 1939. They were married in Lawton, Oklahoma, on January 17, 1942. They made their homes in several places during the war and then settled in the Chicago area until Howard retired to Holmen near La Crosse, Wisconsin prior to moving to Fort Collins 18 years ago. Besides her children and her husband, art was Elin's life. She was an accomplished artist in several mediums -- oil, watercolor, textiles, metal, and wood. Some of her work was shown and sold at the Chicago Art Institute. After moving to Holmen, she specialized in copper sculpture of wild flowers, which were featured in such places as the gift shops at The Chicago Botanical Gardens and the Morton Arboretum. She is survived by her husband Howard; her daughter, Dale Agger of Fort Collins; her sons William Agger of Lacrosse, WI; and David Agger of Fort Worth, TX; and three grandsons Todd, Sean, and Jens Agger, plus one great grandson on the way. Her brother Richard Williams resides in Lake Forest, IL. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Betty.

Tribute Wall



“ June Agger

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ Bill, Peggy, & Family,
I'm so sorry for your loss. Elin sounded like a wonderful, interesting woman, and I wish I would have had the chance to meet her and see some of her artwork. You'll be in my thoughts in the weeks and months ahead as you mourn her passing. Take care...
In Sympathy,
Nicole

Nicole Williams - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Bud,

I will always remember the good times we had when the two of you lived in Holmen. I don't remember how we met but I do remember our canoeing together, playing bridge and our vigorous political discussions. I remember, too, how Elin would diffuse the heated historical discussions you and Roger had. All in all, it was a fun time.

Because protecting the environment and art have always been important to me, I especially remember the extra mile (at least, it was an extra mile back then) that Elin went to protect our environment and her special artistic skills. In addition to the wonderful artwork she produced, your home and the way she decorated it added beauty for those of us who visited to enjoy. I still have two of her "wildflower" and they are prominently displayed in my home as a constant reminder of her. I am glad we became friends and I will always think of her fondly. I am sorry she is no longer contributing to the beauty of this world.

Sharon Imes - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dear Bud and Family,

I was so sad to read in the paper this morning of Elin's death. I know you all will miss her every day. She had such an upbeat nature and acceptance of life as it was....a ray of sunshine to me....and the cutest little laugh!

I LOVED painting with Elin...she taught me so much and was so generous with her time, supplies and talent. I will miss her.

If there is anything I can do, please let me know.

Love and comfort to all of you,

Loretta

Loretta Madden - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I first met Elin (June back then) when dating her son David during college. Visiting Elin and Bud was always something I looked forward to-- our canoe rides, hikes, scrounging for antiques or engaging in heated discussions around the dinner table. When I smelled her butterscotch brownies, I knew I was home... Elin always had an art project underway. Whether it was fashioning curtains out of burlap or molding a sculpture in her studio, I don't think I ever saw her idle. Playing solitaire, working in the garden, cooking dinner, or sketching out her next art project, Elin seemed so self assured and content with life. She was also a great listener, who made it easy to share my personal troubles. Her passion for life was only matched by her unconditional love for her family and friends. I was very fortunate that she included me in her intimate circle. Although she will be sorely missed, she will also be greatly remembered.

Deborah Shames - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ Saw in the Lacrosse trib today about the passing of your mother. I used to do her hair up on the hill at Hillside Stylist until she moved away. She was a very interesting lady. I still have the metal leaves she made and gave to me for my birthday many years ago. Hi Dale, remember me? Helen

Helen Boucher - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ June Agger

Mark & Jane Williams - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear Uncle Bud, we are sorry to hear of Aunt Elin's passing. She was a great person, and I have many fond memories of family dinners in Riverside growing up and great adventures we had going to the farm. And none of them would have been the same without Aunt June' love and caring for all of the kids. We will miss her.

Mark & Jane Williams - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Aunt June was an inspiration to me. I always enjoyed her art and have four of her paintings hanging in my living room. She encouraged me to continue painting and I certainly intend to.

Linda J White - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Dear June Bug, I'm remembering all the fun times we had. Every day I see those pretty brass leaves you made for me. I get so many compliments on them. so you see how your memory lives on thru your art. The cooking was pretty sniffy too!!! Love Ya. .T

Dottie Monroe - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I remember all those bridge games at your house on the black river in wis. There waS ALWAYS good food and conversation, plus a good card game. you will always be remembered.my regards to you and Bud. Mary Schrabek

Mary Schrabek - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *My thoughts are with you and your family and having lost my mother last summer, the wonderful gift is having the memory of her wash gently over my mind each and every day.
Peace be with you all.*

Bill D Fleming - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *Howard, I'm sorry to hear about Elin's passing. Please except our deepest sympathy. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Joe Gallagher - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *June was a great all around, no-nonsense, extremely talented woman. She and my mother were as close as if they had been twins. I grew up hearing many stories about Betty and June. June taught me how to milk a cow, watch out for cow-pies, how not to feed a squirrel, and care for skunks, donkeys and other assorted animals. She was as kind as any person I have ever met. and, oh my God, was she a talented artist--any medium, it didn't matter. My hope is that she is sitting on some cloud right now with Betty sharing a cocktail, and also sharing all the good times they had growing up. It is hard to believe she is gone--she was so vibrant.*

Jean Cromwell - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PO

“ Bud,
We are so sorry for your loss.

*Our memories are many; fun skiing, relaxing meals and visits,
the tea pot collection, the bird art,
awesome soup dinners and always the smiles of an elegant couple.*

*A copper wildflower sculpture of Elin's has been on our family room
table for 24 years. Viewing it almost daily recalls fond memories.
Pat/Lyle*

Pat and Lyle Ostrander - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *I spent a short 5 hours with Elin recently, and was very touched by her sweet spirit, her intelligence and bright eyes, and so liked hearing of a few stories from her past. I told her the story of the Rainbow bridge, and she seemed to be touched by that vision of heaven. I am honored to have known her and met Howard and Dale for that brief period, and I loved her artwork so much, as all of it spoke of nature and serenity. My heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to her family.*

Terri Raymond - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Bud,
It is with great sadness that we learned of Elin’s passing. Our family will always hold dear the memories of the best neighbors we’ve ever had! We know how difficult the coming months will be for you and your family in adjusting to a life without wife, mother, grandmother, companion and friend. Elin’s life was well lived and she brought joy and happiness with her warm smile, quiet nature, and artistic talents. We treasure the copper oak leaves and watercolors which decorate our home and remind us of our special friends. You, and your entire family, are in our thoughts and prayers.
Greg & Mary Sacia
Amy Sacia
Megan Sacia

Greg & Mary Sacia - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *We have fond Holmen memories of Elin and Bud: skiing, watching birds out the front window, sitting by the wood stove, great meals, and conversations. Elin was instrumental in introducing the newly arrived Hmong community to La Crosse through a large exhibition at the Pump House Regional Arts Centr. Elin lives on in our home through her art: her copper flowers, a drawing of a plant's interior, and a large abstract that seems to be a city of the soul. She knew how to go deep into what matters. We valued her friendship and inspiration.*

Lynne and Keith Baliquette - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I just saw Elin's obituary which I had somehow missed. I am struck by the beauty of the photo. How much it shows her sparkle and radiance. I know she will be missed by all of you, but particularly Bud. My thoughts continue to be with you at this time as you begin your journey of living/healing with this grief!

Kirsten Hartman - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Aunt Elin was a wonderful relationship in my life. She will be missed. When my mother died in 1954, she was one of my caregivers. . I am grateful. I am also grateful for the many memories of her, at the Agger farm, in my years of growing up. I have vivid memories of her walking up the steps at my grandparents house with a bottle of Coke in her hand! She always had a special unique laugh that I will never forget.

Living in the Denver area, I am grateful for the opportunities to see Aunt Elin over the past years. My children and I have enjoyed many holiday visits and also when my son Travis attended CSU. Uncle Bud always cooked a super meal and I would have the chance to visit with Elin. I am especially grateful for her support during my divorce many years ago. Her loving support when mom and died six years ago meant everything to me.

Ryan, my oldest son, an artist, was always impacted by Elin's artistic talents. I know they engaged in many meaningful conversations and that Ryan's path was inspired by her.

Truly, I will miss her. She is someone who enriched my life, and I know, all of those whose path crossed with hers.

Joy Agger

Joy Agger - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Dear Bud and Family, Doug and I want to again express our sympathy. Elin was one of our dearest friends. We happily remember our picnics and the fun days at Rocky Mountain Park. We laughed often about our shopping excursions to stores with big sales mainly Talbots. (for little people) Our couples group has been a favorite part of our lives and we will miss Elin sorely. Love, Doug and Linda

Doug and Linda Agee - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM