

In Memoriam: Barbara Murphy



Barbara Murphy passed March 28, 2019, due to of progressively debilitating health issues. She was president of the Educational Audiology Association from 1999-2000. Most of Barbara's career was with the Special Education District of Lake County, Illinois (SEDOL) as an educational audiologist. She was coordinator of audiological services for 20 of her 28 years with SEDOL. After receiving her undergraduate degree in psychology from Northwestern University, Barbara worked as a research assistant in Dr. Raymond Carhart's lab where she became interested in audiology. After earning her MA, Barbara was assistant director of the Children's Hearing Clinic at Northwestern University working with Dr. Noel Matkin. While at SEDOL, she was a frequent supervisor of audiology practicum students.

In addition to her service to EAA, Barbara was president of the Illinois Academy of Audiology, the Illinois Educational Audiology Association, and the Chicago Audiology-Speech-Language Pathology Association.

Since her retirement in 2003, she maintained active participation in professional organizations, served on the Rush University audiology advisory board and performed contractual work with Phonak. She was always a huge advocate for families of children who were deaf or hard of hearing, a tireless supporter of comprehensive school-based audiology services and genuine friend and colleague of many. Barbara, along with her husband Jim, were doting grandparents and frequent travelers in their retirement.

A Memorial Visitation is scheduled for April 6 from 11-2 pm at Glueckert Funeral Home in Arlington Heights, Illinois. For more information and donation suggestions please see the obituary at <https://www.glueckertfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Barbara-R-Murphy?obId=4262991#/obituaryInfo>