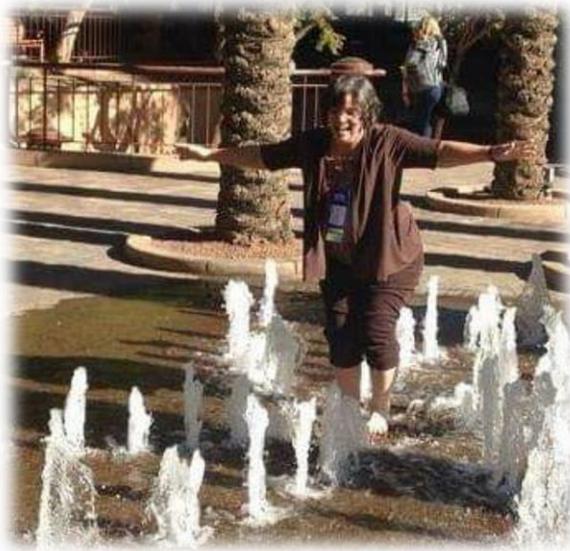




Family Medicine Midwest mourns the loss of Joyce Jeardeau, University of Wisconsin



Joyce Jeardeau was a cornerstone and a powerhouse behind the University of Wisconsin Department of Family Medicine's participation in Family Medicine Midwest. She brought the students, organized their participation, and delivered on her wonderful ideas for many of our Family Medicine Midwest conferences. Her stamp was most felt on the 2018 FMM conference held at University of Wisconsin, and included the best ice cream social ever! (See photo to the left) She was an avid participant on the conference host committee every year and stepped up to help us on-site at the conferences, including the years that FMM was in Chicagoland.



The sudden loss of Joyce this summer has left a big hole in our hearts. Officially, Joyce spent the bulk of her career working for the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics and the UW School of Medicine. Most recently she was the Student Programs Coordinator for the UW Department of Family Medicine and Community Health. She was also on the board of the Medical Education Administrators and Coordinators of Wisconsin (MEAC) and co-chair of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) Conference on Medical Student Education (MSE). To many of us, she was a friend; like a bonus mom or a fun aunt in your family who always came through for you.

Joyce passed away July 4th surrounded by her husband, David, her daughters Amy and Stacy and her grandchildren.

Joyce was a friend to many.

Her colleague at STFM Melissa Owens says, "She was a shoulder, a great advice giver, an encourager, and remarkable. She was fierce, tenacious in her actions, loved life, was creative in her thoughts and ideas. She was an amazing advocate for her family, coordinators, medical education and students."

We could not agree more, and we miss her terribly.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society in her name at www.cancer.org or donated to the Joyce Jeardeau Family Medicine Midwest student scholarship fund <https://fmm.memberclicks.net/scholarship-donations>