



Constance Cohn

June 16, 1948 - March 4, 2013

COHN, CONSTANCE CONNIE JUNE Of Albuquerque died March 4, 2013 of a brain tumor. She was 64. Born in Schenectady, NY to the late Florence Wittlin Cohn and the late Honorable Morris Marshall Cohn, she graduated from Linton High School in 1966. She then came to Albuquerque to attend the University of New Mexico, from which she graduated in 1970. She received a Masters of Urban Planning from the University of Southern Illinois In 1971 and a J.D. from the Western State University College of Law in 1982. For 25 years, criminal prosecution was Ms. Cohn's passion. She was a Deputy District Attorney of Albuquerque in the Prior Repeat Offender Division, Deputy District Attorney in Tulare County, CA, and a Special Prosecutor for Rio Rancho. Between 1973 and 1979, she worked for the New Mexico Governor's Council on Criminal Justice Planning. Ms. Cohn is survived by her daughter, Mallory Olisar, and her son-in-law, Jeffery Olisar, of Albuquerque; her sister Winnie Borden and Neal Borden of Baltimore, MD; her brother Larry Cohn and Betsy Cohn of Tucson, AZ; her niece Laura Borden Richter and Joel Richter of Israel; her nephews Adam Borden and Meredith Borden of Baltimore, Benjamin Cohn and Connie Shih Cohn of Santa Monica, CA, and Robert Cohn and Naomi Cohn of New York. She is also survived by four great nieces, two great nephews, and best family friend Jo Rutar. Ms. Cohn was an avid skier, world traveler and estate sale devotee. She loved to entertain and was an excellent cook and baker. An active member of B'nai Israel, Ms. Cohn was the past President of the Synagogue's Nursery School. She was also a

member of the Albuquerque International Association. A Memorial Service will be held on March 12, 2013 at B'Nai Israel, 4401 Indian School Road, NE, at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, 7155 E. 38th Avenue, Denver, CO 80207; The Make-A-Wish Foundation, 144 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108; or Greater Albuquerque Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 8353, Albuquerque, NM 87198.

Tribute Wall

MS

“Mallory, Connie was my best friend in elementary school. I was a shy little girl and she adopted me and gave me confidence. In our 3rd grade class picture I am sitting to your Mom's right. We both had little dark colored bows on our dresses. She is in my photo album at all my birthday parties. Once I was so excited to have lunch at her house. We were going to have pastrami. As we ate our sandwiches I asked "When are we going to have the pastrami?" She told me we were eating it. I said "Oh, I thought it was ham on a bun with mustard." The family got a big laugh out of that. Love you Connie.

Mary Sidas - April 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GB

“College buddies, good friend and most devoted Mom. We love you and Mallory, the light of your life.

Gil & Cynthia Baca - April 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MG

“Connie was truley a wonderful person. I will miss our lunches together. Connie was very passionate about her work and even more passionate about her daughter, Mallory. Godspeed Connie and blessings to your family

Marty Gonzales - March 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CL

“Connie was truly one of a kind. We are all poorer for the loss of her.

Chris lackmann - March 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AO

“Mallory, Jeff, and the family, we are saddened that we have lost a friend and good neighbor. From the first time we met her 3 years ago, she welcomed us sincerely. Her smile made me happy every time we met. We miss her but she has left us with the joyful news of your moving in and being our neighbors. Our prayers surround you.

Aubrey & Yuvonnia Owen - March 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PE

“It was always a pleasure to visit with Connie when I was there doing her Pest Management services. We had spirited discussions regarding the law, politics, and raising kids. She was a great lady, good to all, and she had a good heart. I'll miss her very much, God blessed her, and He blessed us with her presence on this earth. I'm certain we will all cross paths again.

Peter - March 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MG

“So said to hear about Connie. I had the opportunity to work with her on many cases while she was a DA, I really loved how tenacious Connie was, she was one tough cookie! She brought some justice into the world, she will be missed.

Michelle Garcia - March 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“Mallory, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She did a wonderful job raising you. May you find comfort in your memories.

Lori Wilson - March 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Connie you will be thought of often and missed. I so enjoyed working with you in Rio Rancho, you had \$#%^ and I loved that about you. Rest in peace.*

Mike Pelligrini - March 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Mallory, my husband & I liked Your Mom very much, she was an awesome person . Some say she could be difficult but I found that to be the prfectionist in her. She has such a great smile. She will be very missed by the people that truely cared for her. She loved you very much you are all she talked about, and with such pride in all your accomplishments. You were the light in her world. Our prayes and thoughts go out to you at this very difficult time. With affection Richard & Rose Baca.*

Richard & Rose Baca - March 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *Wonderful memories of Aunt Connie from her visits to Maplewood so many years ago. It was so nice to be able to see her again at Bob's wedding. Sarah and I send our condolences. Our warmest thoughts are with you all.*

Tom Murphy - March 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *I was fortunate to have Connie as one of my mentors when I was with the District Attorney's Office. I absolutely loved Connie's zest for life which only shone brighter with the beautiful red suits that she would often wear. I will miss her counsel and her infectious laughter, but I know that these qualities will live on in the many lives that she has touched.*

Stephanie Griffin - March 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Connie and I met during her Criminal Justice Planning days; then we had the good fortune to live on the same street. She was wonderful and knew everyone. She was warm and inclusive in all her ways. What a wonderful person. We will miss her!

Deborah Hartz - March 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ What a lovely memory Connie has left for all of us! Connie was one of the best "mothers of a friend" the my daughter Brooke ever knew. Mallory, we have many fund memories of your mother and we know you will miss her a lot. May God bless you with His Love.

charlie, Mary, and Brooke Karler - March 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Thanks for all your help when I was a young APD officer. Sorry to hear of your passing. God Speed.

Lee Krebsbach - March 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Connie was a dorm mate at UNM. She was so fun! Conversations with her opened up a new world to me, a Gallup girl. Mallory, my deepest condolences.

Cheri Katz - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“Mallory and family, From the time I first met Connie, when she dated my brother her freshman year of college, we developed a friendship that endured throughout the years. No matter how much time passed between visits, we always picked up as if no time had passed at all. I will remember all of our good times (we had no bad ones) with great fondness. She touched so many lives in a positive way. I am grateful that I was fortunate enough to have her in my life. She will be remembered with much love. Judy Brown

Judy Brown - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“Mallory, your Mother and I had many lunches together with Judy Brown. They were filled with laughter about our college days or more current topics. And, they always ended in laughter. I first met Connie in the college dorm. She just whirled into the room, spoke her mind, turned and whirled out. I was amazed. She was truly one of a kind. I will miss her. Much love, Carol

Carol Carpenter - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SP

“Connie was my best friend since 7th grade 53 years ago. I will miss her terribly! She had a heart of gold and helped me through good times and difficult times. My love and sympathy go to Mallory and Jeff and Winnie and Larry and families. Rest in peace dear Connie! Love, Sharon Matney Peregrin

Sharon Matney Peregrin - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“Mallory, I saw your mom's beautiful picture this morning in the paper. She was always so much fun to run into during your Academy years....always so proud of you and your accomplishments.I'm so sorry...your mom was much to young. Sending love your way.

Patty Jones - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CT

“Many years ago I worked with Connie at Criminal Justice Planning. Connie had faith in me having been out of the workforce for many years having my children. She taught me so much. She was a wonderful person and loved life. She gave me a great recommendation when my state work began. Eternal rest grant unto her and let perpetual light shine upon her. She will always be in my thoughts. BUT, she is no longer suffering and now has found rest and peace...The angels in Heaven are watching over her and teaching her the new ropes...

Carolyn Tenorio - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JW

“My condolences to Connie's family and her multitude of friends and co-workers. What a great lady and public servant. I knew and worked with Connie for many years at 2nd Judicial Court. She was very dedicated and professional ADA and I always looked forward to working with her at arraignments. I will always have great memories of her. God Bless you Connie!

Jack Wolfgang - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“Mallory and family, I truly miss Ms. Cohn, she was a force to be reckoned with. I was her secretary at the DA's office. Connie was a great mentor, she taught me valuable lessons in assisting with the prosecution of cases. She was generous and had a wonderful sense of humor. I remember when Mallory came into Connie's life there was nothing she was more proud of or happy with than Mallory. Please accept my sincerest sympathy for your loss. I loved Ms. Cohn and the world is a better place for her being in it.

Judith Sims - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RR

“We will miss Connie very much. She was full of life and a very giving person. Always there to help and listen. She definitely helped us through a very difficult time in our life. God speed, Connie.

Reg & Bev Rider - March 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BA

“On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.

Buck Dyck and Associates - March 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM