



Blanche D. Rogers

November 3, 1942 - June 22, 2022

Blanche Davis Rodgers died peacefully on June 21, 2022 from complications related to a stroke and Alzheimer's disease. She was 79 years old.

Ms. Rodgers was born in Dallas, Texas, to Blanche and Spencer Davis, joining her older sister, Servalia. After graduating from high school, Ms. Rodgers earned a bachelor's degree from Fisk University and a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University.

In her early career, Ms. Rodgers worked as a lab technician for Dow Corning and W.R. Grace. She later ran the William L. and Victorine Q. Adams Foundation, a nonprofit focused largely on supporting education. Ms. Rodgers developed the foundation's scholarship program, which offered financial support and enrichment to African-American students pursuing college degrees in business-related fields. Above all else in her professional life, she loved to mentor, coach, and support the Adams Foundation's young scholarship recipients.

Ms. Rodgers was married for 59 years to Theo Rodgers, who co-founded A&R Development Corp. in 1977. Ms. Rodgers provided the quiet strength and support that has proved critical to the success of the business over its 45 years.

Ms. Rodgers practiced Iyengar yoga, a passion of hers for many decades. She also loved music, traveling, and spending time with her family and close friends. She will be most remembered for her warm smile, loyal friendship, and joyful spirit.

Ms. Rodgers is survived by her husband, Theo Rodgers; children, Marjorie (Mark) Cheshire and Anthony (Kera Ritter) Rodgers; and her granddaughter, Ellison. Ms. Rodgers was preceded in death by a son, Theo C. Rodgers, Jr.

A memorial will be planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to B.E.S.T. - Baltimore Educational Scholarship Trust (www.besttrust.org) or Baltimore School for the Arts (www.bsfa.org).

Tribute Wall



“ *Blanche D. Rogers*

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“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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