




Sophy Paarlberg

June 1, 1948 - December 6, 2020

Sophy Paarlberg, age 72, of Crown Point, passed away Sunday, December 6, 2020. She was a resident of Crown Point for 43 years and was a founding member of the Northwest Indiana Islamic Center. Throughout her life she exercised her exceptional talents in dressmaking, home decorating and Asian cuisine but primarily lived for her children and grandchildren. Sophy is survived by her husband of 43 years- Gary Paarlberg; one son – Adam Paarlberg (Afshan); two daughters- Sofiya (Rami Musleh) and Salina (Hasib Rasoul); nine grandchildren- Adam, Noah, Isaac, Elias Musleh; Nura, Dena, Hana Paarlberg; Noor, Jonah Rasoul; three brothers- Yusef, Amin, Nuramin Sirisittiwong; three sisters- Fatima, Sabera, Sakdina. Her funeral service was held Monday, December 7, 2020 at the Northwest Indiana Islamic Center, Iman Mongi Elquesni officiating. Interment Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville, IN. Burns Funeral Home entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

 Sofiya
Paarlberg-
Musleh

“ There are no words to describe the heart break and pain that my family and I are going through right now. My mother was the most beautiful woman I know. Her life was ultimately dedicated to her children, husband and grandchildren. She is basically the glue that held our family together. She had always put us first before herself. She was the one who made it her priority that we were always strong in our faith, well mannered, and always worked hard in everything we do. My mom was also very committed to her faith and love for the Northwest Indiana Islamic community. I want to thank everyone so much for all of the outpouring of love and support that you have provided for me and my family. Sheikh Mongy and Dr. Shaaban were there with us to the very end of my mom’s passing. I’m not sure how I could’ve done it without them. They stepped in and started making all the arrangements for us. They made the process of the funeral arrangements as less stressful as possible. I also want to thank the sisters group of the Northwest Indiana Islamic Center for gathering funds so quickly to build a water well on behalf of my mom. She would have been so honored by this. Please continue to keep my mother and family in your duas. I also want to add to keep your parents near and dear to you. Always end your conversations with “I love you” to them. Ultimately you never know when it will be your last time. May Allah forgive and grant and her Jannatul Firdaus. Mama I love you more than words can ever describe.

Sofiya Paarlberg-Musleh - December 14, 2020 at 01:02 PM

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“ *I was saddened to hear of Sophy's passing. I spent many lovely hours with her while we raised our girls and they played together. She was a sweet, kind person and my heartfelt sympathy goes out to Gary, the children and the grandchildren for your loss.*

Diane Schach Evers

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