

My memories of Maureen from Valerie Kuck

Through the years that I knew Maureen, she was always so kind and considerate of others. Maureen was deeply concerned about others, especially those that were still in school and those that were facing difficulties. She just loved encouraging young students and sharing with them her joy of science and chemistry. She put a great deal of effort into the numerous presentations she made to elementary school students and tried to reach out to those that were too shy to speak out. Whenever we were at a poster session, she would seek me out and made certain that I went, listened and supported a student who had impressed her with their hard efforts in the laboratory and understanding of the findings of their research. She also cared deeply for those who were jobless or those needing support through a difficult time. She truly cared about people and did everything that she could do to help them. For many years she "adopted" a family in economic distress and purchased appropriate, personalized Christmas gifts for each family member in addition to buying all the food supplies for lovely Christmas or Thanksgiving dinners. Through the years hundreds of people were helped or encouraged by Maureen. She made the world a better place