



## Marjorie Cohen

August 17, 1963 - September 4, 2023

Marjorie Jane Cohen died peacefully of ovarian cancer at home on September 4, 2023. The daughter of Lois and Philip S. Cohen, she was born on August 17, 1963. She graduated from CCDS, Tufts University, and received her MBA from Northwestern University. Standing 5'2", Margie was a powerhouse, known for her huge smile, big heart, fierce loyalty to her large tribe of friends, strong athletic skills, expertise in backpacking and global adventure travel, and her love for the outdoors.

Most recently, Margie served as Executive Director of Free Bikes 4 Kidz Atlanta, which provides used lovingly restored bikes to kids in need. Margie was also a successful entrepreneur as the owner of Geared to Go. She was incredibly generous with her time and organizational expertise as a board member for many organizations. At one of her last group gatherings, Margie stated, "I could not have lived a better, fuller, or richer life. Some folks live to 100 and never have the incredible life experiences I have had".

Margie was predeceased by her beloved father, Phil Cohen, and is survived by her mother Lois; sisters Lindy Holt and Julie Shifman (Steve); her brother Philip Cohen (Sheila), and many nieces and nephews who she loved dearly. Margie was a devoted and dedicated dog owner to Frankie and Stella. A private funeral was held in Cincinnati. Donations may be made to Chattahoochee National Park Conservancy,

[chattahoocheeparks.org](http://chattahoocheeparks.org). Click the donate button and then remember a loved one.

# Tribute Wall

TM

“ Guess my first post didn't go. So, I'm trying again.

*Margie was a wonderful next door neighbor for many years to John and me. She employed my son as a pet sitter/walker brought back souvenirs from her hike in Bhutan, delivered soup and homemade lasagna when we had family emergencies and even shared the cost of tree removal when a May storm brought several trees down in our backyards.*

*Always generous, always giving and sharing, she even loaned John pickle ball paddles last year trying to encourage him to play.*

*Margie was always able to get things done! She built a house, moved a kitchen during a remodel, hiked more mountains than most people do in their lives, kayaked rivers, and found new doggies, Frankie and Stella, when beloved JD and Bandit passed away.*

*Margie never gave up. She was always looking for a new way forward. She certainly packed her life full of experiences. And I'm so glad she did. Margie and I shared a birthday, August 17th. I was so warmed and happy to see friends coming to help her celebrate her 60th.*

*My heart goes out to her family and friends. John and I were canoeing Maine's Allagash River when she passed. I thought about her a lot on our trip because it was something she would have loved to do. We're all going to miss her laughter and energy. But, John and I feel lucky to have been able to know her and share some of our lives with her as neighbors.*

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**Teresa Mayes** - September 24, 2023 at 02:52 PM

TM

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**Teresa Mayes** - September 24, 2023 at 02:38 PM

BB

“ I am devastated by Margie's passing. We spent 10 years together loving life and sharing grand adventures. I have many memories to share. Perhaps the one that stands out the most is the time we paddled the Boundary Waters together in 2014. We had a 50-lb. canoe and two 75-lb. packs. Margie was always physically stronger than me, but this time she thought it was a good idea to ask me to carry the canoe and one of the packs at the same time. It did not work. It took me less than a minute for my knees to give way as I crumbled to to the ground. Needless to say, sweet and strong Margie carried the pack and canoe for the rest of the trip. I will always hold Margie close to my heart.

*Barb*

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**Barb Brueggemann** - September 19, 2023 at 12:11 AM

KS

“ She had amazing generosity of spirit. I am so grateful to have known her

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**Kathleen Scott** - September 12, 2023 at 07:53 PM

LN

“ Margie was a generous and kind friend who was full of useful advice. I will miss her intellect and kindness, as well as her determination and pluck. Memories of time spent with her, though much shorter than I had hoped, are a blessing.

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**Livia Navon** - September 12, 2023 at 05:11 PM

BW

“ I met Margie late in 2022 at the Free Bikes for Kidz Give Away Day. She was smiling and eager to help me get plugged in to the work. She will be remembered for the positive impact she made on our community and the tireless effort she gave to FB4K. She was excellent at connecting those that had a need for a new bike with those that were looking for a way to give back. I will miss learning from her and working with her.

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**Bill Wilson** - September 11, 2023 at 12:43 PM

EZ

“ Lois I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Having also lost a child I know the pain you are going through. May her memory be for a blessing.  
Elinor Ziv

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**Elinor Ziv** - September 11, 2023 at 11:26 AM

BR

“ I only knew Margie for a year but felt her positive energy from the very first encounter. I feel blessed to have worked alongside her. May her memory be a blessing.

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**Brian Reed** - September 07, 2023 at 11:51 AM

AT

“ I'm so sorry to read this - Margie volunteered with the nonprofit I manage and put such positive energy into everything she did. May her memory be a blessing.

Anna Taylor - September 07, 2023 at 11:13 AM

PC

“ I'm so incredibly sorry and sad to read this. I grew up with Margie at Rockdale. She definitely had a smile on her face all the time. May her memory be a blessing.

Pamela Brower Chundrlek - September 06, 2023 at 10:48 AM

CA

“ Margie doing what she loved.



Cathy - September 06, 2023 at 09:54 AM