Dorothy Augustine (1934-2018)



Dorothy Augustine was born in New York City in 1934 and passed away in 2018. She earned her PhD at the University of Southern California in Rhetoric and taught at Chapman University in the Department of English for 36 years. Dorothy's Ph.D. was in Rhetoric, Linguistics, and Literature and her specialty was the philosophy of composition. Dorothy served as the chair of the English Department and was involved in the Writing across the Curriculum initiative.

As many of you know, three members of our Retired and Emeritus Faculty Association passed away in 2018. Two members were also Chapman alumni, and as faculty, they all served Chapman University for decades, instilling in students a zest for learning and discovery. Here is an opportunity for remembering and celebrating their lives and achievements.

Dorothy Augustine was born in New York City, New York on July 12th, 1934. In 1955 she moved with her family to California. Dorothy attended Santa Ana College where she obtained an AA degree, then went on to attend Chapman College (now Chapman University), University of California Irvine, and University of Southern California where she earned her PhD. After college she became a professor at Chapman College where she taught for 36 years.

Dorothy enjoyed gardening, traveling, and sailing with her friends and grandchildren. She loved classical music, was a humanitarian, and loved animals, but her biggest love in life was her family."

On a personal note, it was delightful to see Dorothy the day our Association toured the new Musco Center. Dorothy's beaming smile and her friendly manner made it easy to talk with her. Claudia Horn