

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Death**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement**

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of **Ruth R. Winter, M.D.**, clinical assistant professor of anesthesiology, Medical School, who died on December 29, 2010, after a courageous battle with cancer.

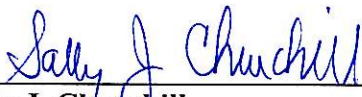
Dr. Winter received her B.A. and M.D. degrees from The Ohio State University in 1980 and 1984, respectively. She completed an internal medicine residency at the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine (1984-85) and an anesthesiology residency at the University of Michigan Medical Center (1985-87). Following completion of her residency, she was a clinical instructor at the University of Michigan Medical Center (1987-91) and a staff anesthesiologist at the W.A. Foote Memorial Hospital (1991-99). She returned to the University of Michigan faculty as a clinical assistant professor of anesthesiology in 1999.

Dr. Winter began her medical career at the University of Michigan as a resident and later became a valued faculty member and trusted colleague. She worked in the operating rooms at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, taking care of patients while teaching medical students and anesthesiology residents. A highly skilled anesthesiologist and a talented communicator, she had a unique talent for teaching and mentoring, believing that demonstrating sound clinical judgment was as important as imparting excellent clinical skills. She was highly respected by anesthesiologists, surgeons, house officers, and nursing staff.

An active member of her community, Dr. Winter served on the Hebrew Day School of Ann Arbor Board of Directors and on the Ann Arbor District Library Board of Trustees. She was also an active member of Beth Israel Congregation in Ann Arbor.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we also extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband, Dr. Steven Silverman, her daughters, Albie and Paula, and members of her family.

**Requested by:**



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**Sally J. Churchill**

**Vice President and Secretary of the University**

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