



**Leslie Nerz**  
**April 1955 - June 13, 2018**



Greetings!

Even if you met Leslie for only a brief period of time, you knew she was a devotee of nature and a very caring individual. A number of years ago when she and Jackie first joined CU, they attended a new members' meeting and Leslie told me that an important issue for them was the protection of the stream near their home in Richland. Leslie attended many Eagle Festivals where she sold bird houses and ceramic items, often with a bird or animal theme. Her whole focus was creating and nature was often the inspiration.

In recent years Jackie relayed that Leslie's health was deteriorating, and yet even then she emphasized how much Leslie wanted to see environmental protections remain strong. To learn more about Leslie please see her obituary below.

The entire staff at CU extends their condolences to Jackie and Leslie's family. We know her warm heart will be missed.

Sincerely,

Jane Morton Galetto  
Board President

## Obituary

Leslie A. Nerz , of Richland, NJ, passed away on Wednesday, June 13, 2018. She was 63.

Leslie graduated from Stockton College and continued studies in art at PCA and Tyler. She was exceptionally creative and capable in every way--She was able to build a house and could fix almost everything--She owned a successful business, Zern Leather, at the Shore Mall, thru 1999. Afterwards her creativity flourished and she spent hours in her studio making incredible sculptures, wood carvings, drawings and pottery. Leslie fought to protect the environment. She was a foster parent and volunteer, inspired and taught many people, and strove to make a difference.

## Family

She is the beloved partner to Jackie Kehrmann; loving daughter to Margaret and the late Alfred Nerz; dear sister to Michael Nerz (Kathleen), Gregory Nerz (Laura), and Steven Nerz (Diane); special aunt to Julia, Sarah, Jessica, Lindsay, and Andrew.

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