

IN MEMORIAM

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The world is a better place knowing that Elizabeth has been in it.

Agreeing to write this memorial, at New England Botanical Club (NEBC) President Brett Trowbridge's request, was a response to the ache of losing her, and the desire to "do" something. What to do? Missing her is hardly enough; it would not be a fitting tribute for someone who accomplished so much, and led by example.

There are so many ways to remember Elizabeth: as a scientist and scholar, a singer, an artist, an optimist, and even, at times, a goof with an infectious sense of fun about her. Despite her vast expertise,