

## **Nanci Pompan z"l**



**WRJ Ner Tamid Member.** Nanci Pompan (Springfield, NJ), president of the Atlantic District (2016-2017) passed away on January 21, 2018. She will be remembered as a sister, friend, mother, grandmother, and a committed, caring, and enthusiastic member of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ). She is survived by her two sons, Jonathan, and Seth; a brother, William Nehman; and a grandson.

Nanci cared deeply about all organizations involved with Reform Judaism, social justice, and Israel and was committed to making the world a better place. She was active in her synagogue, Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, NJ, the temple's sisterhood, and in her community. She held almost every position in her sisterhood, including "Treasurer for Life" and was the first smile seen at the welcome/registration table for all events. Nanci also held many positions in the Atlantic District including treasurer, area director, first vice president, and most recently, president.

"Nanci was a leader people wanted to follow and someone they could count on. Nanci was always willing to do something for others and wanted to be sure people felt comfortable and involved. She was a friend to many, and people sought her advice and felt comfortable in her presence. Nanci was determined not to let her physical challenges hold her back, whether it be travelling or doing the things that mattered most to her. She loved her sons and daughter in-law and was so excited about becoming a grandmother. WRJ, the Atlantic District, and her sisterhood were almost as important to her as family. They were her second family," shared WRJ Atlantic District leadership.

Nanci was a true woman of valor. As a lasting tribute to Nanci, the Atlantic District renamed their District scholarship fund in her memory. The Nanci Pompan Leadership Development Fund will provide scholarships to women who might otherwise not have the financial resources to attend District events where they can grow in their individual leadership potential.

"Nanci is a leader of vision, of passion, and commitment--commitment to the work of WRJ, the Reform Movement and the Jewish People. She is a true

*Ohev Yisrael*. A lover of the Jews and of Judaism and of Humanity," added Rabbi Doug Sagal.

**In recognition of Nanci's passion for leadership and support of others, she has generously designated her bequest to WRJ's general fund for women's empowerment.**