



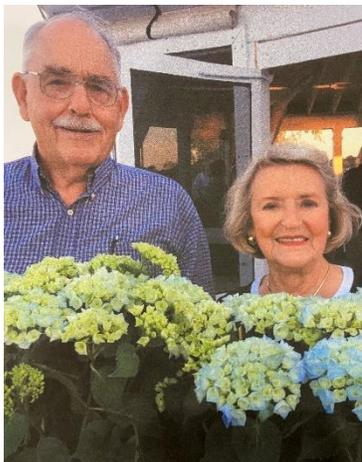
## Sue Tray Memorial Internship for Visitor Services

Throughout her life, Sue was a warm and welcoming person with a ready smile and a vibrant personality. Her husband, Hal, wanted to establish something in her memory she would have valued and enjoyed, reflecting her love for Sanibel Island, where they lived for many years.

Everyone who got to know Sue recognized her zest for life and love for the beauty of nature and the outdoors. She was a talented gardener, floral designer, landscape design consultant, and teacher of Ikebana (Sogetsu School) which allowed her to embrace the beauty of nature and plants. She was a Master Flower Show Judge for the National Council of State Garden Clubs and served for several years as State President of the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland.

But Sue's kindness, compassion, and nurturing soul made the most indelible impression on those who met her and loved her. She was devoted to her husband, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. For the others in her life, whether students, colleagues, tennis partners, sailing friends, neighbors, or family, Sue's upbeat personality and ready smile put everyone at ease.

The fund in her memory will go to support an intern at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in the area of Visitor Services. Nearly one million annual visitors, approximately 375,000 coming to tour the Refuge Visitor & Education Center, and the Visitor Services Intern works with a team to make the experience at "Ding" Darling a positive one. From the moment visitors walk up the boardwalk to the Center and are inside reading and viewing an interpretive exhibit, the intern finds ways to make the "Ding" experience one-of-a-kind -- something Sue would have enjoyed.



The Sue Tray Memorial Internship for Visitor Services was established after the death of its namesake to honor her memory and her love and appreciation for making the world a more beautiful and happier place. Sue exuded enthusiasm for everything that interested her, and she would have been thrilled to know that an internship in her name had been established at a Refuge she loved, for a person who welcomes people to the Refuge and engages them in ways to make their experience a memorable one.

This internship will remain for generations, welcoming everyone to a special place and inspiring others to love the beauty of nature and the outdoors. Friends and family continue to contribute to this fund, and any others interested in doing the same can, too.

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