I am saddened by the news of a loss to the Hostos family: Susan Bollinger, the mother of English Department Chair and Professor Heidi Bollinger, passed away on June 16. She was 73 years old.

Susan Bollinger grew up in Lockport, NY. She graduated from the State University of New York at Plattsburgh in 1972 with a bachelor’s degree in Nursing. After moving to Albany, she worked at the VA Hospital there and eventually was named Head Nurse of the Cardiac Care Unit. She then served as the Field Supervisor at Nurses House Call and as the Senior Field Nursing Supervisor at Eddy Home Care.

Our hearts go out to Professor Bollinger and her family. A loving and supportive mother is truly a gift, and I hope that when the immediate pain subsides, her family and friends will find comfort in their memories of a life lived to its fullest.

Relatives and friends may call at the DeGraaf-Bryce Funeral Home, Inc. 4392 Route 150, West Sand Lake on Saturday, July 1, 2023 from 2-3 PM. A Celebration of Susan Bollinger’s life will begin at 3PM. Face covering and social distancing are required if not vaccinated.

In sorrow,

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President