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Ruth Rollins, 77, died peacefully in her home in Charlottesville, Virginia, on October 2, 2020, surrounded by love, sunlight, birdsong, and family.

Ruth retired from Dalhousie after a fulfilling career working in various roles at Fenwick and Peter Green Hall, culminating as the Dean of Women for Shirreff Hall and Eliza Ritchie Hall. Colleagues remember Ruth for her genuine love of working with students and her commitment to doing everything possible to ensure that they had a rich and fulfilling experience while living in residence.

Ruth brought her keen intelligence, competence, style, and whimsy to everything she did. She also enjoyed traveling to exotic locales, directing theatre productions, volunteering at hospice, motorcycling, and stewarding the land around her. She was passionate about animals.

Ruth fought a long hard battle with recurring cancer over the past 10 years, but she never complained and kept her positive outlook to the last. She faced death with inspirational fearlessness and felt grateful for her many happy years on this planet.

She will be greatly missed by her partner of 44 years, Tom Carter; daughter Dahven White; and grandchildren Reid Doctor, Chase Doctor, and Moxie Doctor; dog, Cauli; and her many flower beds.

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