

***SOUTHEASTERN ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE BUSINESS MEETING 2020
MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS***

Judith K. Knight (by Janet Levy, with information from *Horizon and Tradition*, vol. 59, #1 and the *Tuscaloosa News*)



Whereas, the Southeastern Archaeological Conference as an organization, and many members as individuals, lost a great friend, a great supporter, and an editor extraordinaire when Judy Knight died in June; and

Whereas, Judy was educated in Catholic schools and earned an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Florida; and

Whereas, Judy began her archaeological work at Moundville Archaeological Park in 1969; and

Whereas, Judy was an energetic and creative acquisitions editor for many years with the University of Alabama Press and, later, the University of Florida Press, and built an outstanding collection of high-quality published research in southeastern U.S. and Caribbean archaeology and prehistory; and

Whereas, many SEAC members benefitted from her knowledge, enthusiasm, commitment to scholarship, and her emphasis on quality as they developed publications; and

Whereas, Judy's management for many years of the Book Room at SEAC annual meetings created possibly the most important meeting space at any of these events and established a tradition we now will try to continue; and

Whereas, Judy and her husband Jim revived the Student Paper Prize in 1992, and managed the donations from publishers to create an envied (and *large*) prize; and

Whereas, Judy and Jim were well deserved recipients in 2016 of the SEAC Lifetime Achievement Award; and

Whereas, Judy was devoted to her Catholic faith and to her family, and loved to travel and go to the beach; then

Therefore be it resolved that the Southeastern Archaeological Conference honors the outstanding contributions of Judith G. Knight to archaeological scholarship and community, mourns the loss of our unique friend, and extends our condolences to Jim, her children and grandchildren and extended family, her authors, and her many friends. In her honor, SEAC has renamed the Student Paper Prize as the Judith G. Knight Student Paper Prize.