

A selection of quotes from the Zoom tribute for Ludy Biddle on Thursday, April 15, 2021

Roy Nash : Congratulations, Ludy, on a super career!

Svea Howard : Ludy is well known for thinking outside the box! GO LUDY!!!

Melanie Paskevich : Ludy ROCKS!!

Pam Johnson (Fahe) : Ludy, your friends at Fahe & our Appalachia HEAT Squad Members thank you for your innovation, leadership and partnership. I personally will miss your innovative ideas and as a friend. Enjoy retirement & keep in touch!!

Rick Shappy : Ludy has been a gentle but, determined driver on programs improving many lives.

Rick DeAngelis: Hi Ludy! Thanks for everything. It was a pleasure to work with you!

Tania Ezzo : It has been great working with Ludy! And she will be missed! Rock Star she is!

Paula Planthaber : Traveling with Ludy is such a treat and which I will miss! Ludy, how many times did we start a conversation by "I have a quick question" and an hour later we were still sharing our thoughts. That I will truly miss!

Dean Silloway : Ludy, throughout our years working together, I always appreciated the time you would take to get to know me. You helped me understand the importance of personal connections. I needed to plan for extra time in your office if I knew you would be there as we would end up chatting too long. :-) I hope you have a wonderful retirement. You've earned it will all the good you've done!

Chris Hackett: Ludy - I have been honored to have worked with you and all the staff at Neighborworks. I wish you all the best!!!

Nancy Gilman: I have had the Privilege of working with Ludy for 18 years. Ludy is not only a great leader, she is a great mentor!

Amy Wright : Ludy also takes the impossible and makes it possible- thank you Ludy for joining the women's housing mafia and moving us forward. And making it so much fun!

Eric Hangen : Who here remembers the "friend raiser" event NWWVT did in the pre-rehabbed Kazon building? That was a great one! From Heidie - Ludy leads with her heart in everything she does.

Sheila Rice : Ludy -- so many wonderful memories of you, working together, drinks and dinners, and that wonderful canoe trip through the White Cliff of the Missouri. I especially admire how you never let your polio aftereffects slow you down. When I grow up, I want to be just like Ludy Biddle, my hero. Ludy, you go girl!

Mike Claflin: Ludy, it is an honor to attend this event. You are one of a kind, thank you for all that you have done and for being such a wonderful role model.

Josh Hanford : Ludy....it's been a true pleasure to work with you over the years. You were always willing to try new solutions and consider every new housing idea I would suggest. You helped so many and inspired even more!

Jerry DePhillips : our time together was short but your impact will not be forgotten!

Ariane Kissam : Congratulations Ludy on an impressive 20+ years. We will miss your tenacity and energy at VHCB!

Mary Ann Goulette : Best of luck in your next chapter. Will miss you!

Joan Carty : Best of luck, Ludy! so wonderful to have worked with you. Let's make sure we keep in touch. you will be missed. I'm always up for a poetry slam at the Folger Library. All the best, Joan

Liz Fyles : Ludy you are so loved and valued by so many!

Maura Collins, VHFA : Ludy, congratulations on the fantastic career you've built and best of luck on the next chapter!

Ann Lawless : Thank you Ludy! Wish you all the best in your next chapter.

Don Ramey : I was a client of Rutland West, they sold me my home and studio. Ludy asked me to be on the board and I think I was more surprised than her that I said yes. What an education I got about the awesome work done by non profits. Congratulations Ludy!! Enjoy!

Cornelia Schafer : Ludy, I'm honored to be in your family and look forward to spending more time with you in retirement! Congratulations on an incredible career!

Betsy Wallace : One of my favorite 2020 election cycle memories....two evenings of CNN watching and election commentary with copious wine and Ludy fellowship in the farm den!

Pollaidh Major (Office of Sen. Leahy) : Congratulations Ludy! I hope to get to see you soon. I have a hungry horse waiting to be fed. I'm sorry to leave early, but I think you may understand. It is so inspiring to hear about your wonderful career!

Joanie Straussman Brandon : NeighborWorks network is like the Hotel California. You can check out, but you can never leave.

Sara Wolcott : Oh Mom! You're so amazing! So inspiring. I'm not a public speaker but you know how incredible I think you are. Also, all these people are so wonderful!!!! I'm so glad I was able to "meet" the group here!

Trisha Guditz : Best, best wishes to you, dear Ludy! You have made my years at NW so fun and interesting!

Jesse Ergott : Ludy - God Bless and THANK YOU for being such an amazing example of how to lead well in the service of others. You have inspired so many of us to give our best to our communities and to think differently about how to have impact. You are the best!!

Erhard Mahnke (Sen. Sanders Office) : All the best in your well-deserved retirement. I hope our paths keep crossing!