

**President's Remarks for June Jamrich Moment of Silence
Board of Trustees Meeting
April 30, 2020**

At this time, Northern Michigan University wishes to take a moment to honor and celebrate the life of June Jamrich.

Mrs. Jamrich, who was a visible presence on campus and in the community during her husband John Jamrich's tenure as Northern's president from 1968-83, passed away April 20 at her home in Jacksonville, Florida. She was 95 years young.

While at Northern, June Jamrich was known for her commitment to involving students in activities that she said felt would strengthen their social connections and networking skills while expanding their horizons. Many Northern alumni remember fondly Mrs. Jamrich inviting them to a meal at Kaye House or to participate in an event she was coordinating on campus.

Nationally, June played a major role in organizing the first series of professional development tracks for presidential spouses at the Association of State Colleges and Universities Conferences, which she designed to take place simultaneously with the conference for the university presidents.

She even served as a Northern figure skating instructor one semester when the scheduled instructor broke her leg.

I first met June shortly after becoming Northern's president when she and John returned to campus for the dedication of the new Jamrich Hall. Since then, I've had the great opportunity to spend time with the couple during their summer trips to Marquette and my visits to Florida for alumni events. I came to know June as an exceptionally bright, compassionate, and witty woman – someone with whom I really enjoyed spending time. She, like John, stayed deeply connected to the University and the people of Northern.

She will be missed by all in the Northern family who were lucky to know and experience her graciousness and kindness.

In celebration of her well-lived 95 years of life, I ask now for a moment of silence to honor June Jamrich.