

In Memory: Nancy Michaels Berry

Nancy Michaels Berry lived a passionate life, devoting her time and talents to the causes she cared about. As the first full-time executive director of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, she was a great supporter of the ogranization for nearly 40 years.

A Kansas native, Nancy grew up in Tulsa and graduated from Holland Hall High School. She attended Wellesley College and later graduated from the University of Oklahoma. Nancy served as the executive director of the Oklahoma City Community Foundation from 1975-1978 and was instrumental in helping founder John Kirkpatrick communicate his vision for the organization. In 1980 she moved to New York City where she worked for Project Orbis and the National Executive Service Corps. After retiring, Nancy traveled throughout Europe and the United States.

Following Nancy's death in January 2009, her family established the Nancy Michaels Berry Memorial Fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation to honor her lifetime commitment to philanthropy.