Obituary: Robin R. Gianopoulos

Robin Gianopoulos, who retired from the BNL’s Reactor Division on September 29, 1995, passed away on December 11, 2014, at the age of 85.

Robin began her 30 years at BNL on July 19, 1965, as a technician in the Medical Department, then moved to the Physics Department as a scanner of particle-interaction data collected in Bubble Chambers. Robin began taking night courses at Suffolk Community College in 1974, planning to make electrical technology her field. Her plan got a welcome boost in July 1977, when she was one of six employees selected for the Lab’s Technical Training Program. This gave Robin the opportunity to be a full-time student at Suffolk for the fall semester, then return to BNL for on-the-job training in various departments, repeating this pattern until she received her Associate’s Degree. BNL covered all college expenses and continued the students’ salaries and fringe benefits.

While pursuing her vocation at BNL, Robin devoted most of her non-work or study hours to her avocation: breeding dachshunds and earning kudos for her efforts. The first link below brings up an obituary that appeared in the January 2014 issue of Canine Chronicles; the second is a more personal story published in Dan’s Papers, Oct. 23, 2014:


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