

Celebrating the Life & Career of Jane Silverthorne

*March 27, 2023
3:00 – 5:00 pm
Doors open at 2:30 pm*

*Supporters of Agricultural Research (SoAR)
4601 North Fairfax Drive
Arlington, Virginia*



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The Life & Career of Jane Silverthorne

Jane was born in Somerset, England on July 26, 1953. Her talent and passion for science began early in life and led to a BSc from the University of Sussex and a Ph.D. from the the University of Warwick. Following postdoctoral research at UCLA, Jane joined the faculty and rose through the ranks as professor at UC-Santa Cruz. In 1998, Jane joined the NSF and transformed plant biology through her leadership in the Plant Genome Research Program. For over a decade, Jane served as a highly respected senior executive leader at NSF until her retirement in 2017, when her commitment to plant biology continued through her engagement with the SoAR Foundation, the Boyce Thompson Institute, and the American Society of Plant Biology.

Jane is remembered for her influential scientific work on light-regulated gene expression in plants and by her pioneering exploration of the evolutionary diversity of photoregulation. Jane brought to the NSF a broad and deep scientific knowledge. She had an unwavering commitment to promoting the impact of science, and she was a tireless advocate for broadening participation in the scientific enterprise. Jane's advocacy for early career scientists helped to launch the careers of many scientists, educators, and leaders in plant biology today.

We remember Jane as a devoted mentor, colleague, and friend, a person of many talents. She was an avid reader, deep thinker, with a passion for art as much as science, and she committed to the best outcomes in all of her endeavors. We celebrate Jane today with memories of her enduring spirit and we honor her legacy.

*We invite you to visit the ASPB blog to
contribute remembrances of Jane*

<https://blog.aspb.org/remembering-jane-silverthorne/>



Opening Welcome

Thomas Grumbly
Karl Anderson, President
SoAR Foundation

Remembrances

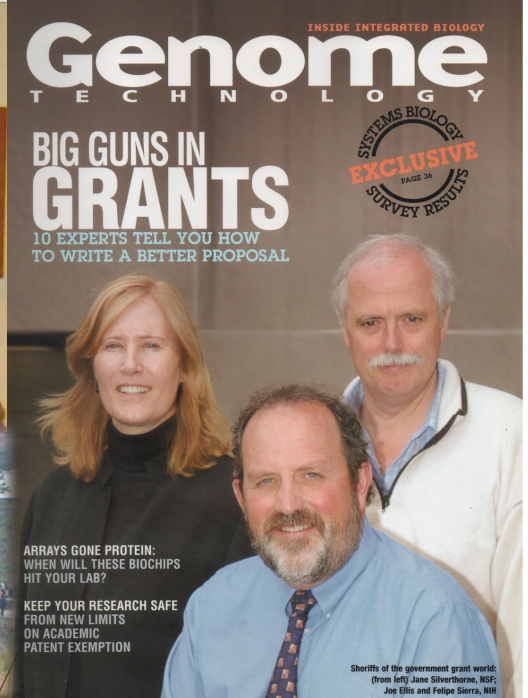
Elaine Tobin
Harry Noller
Machi Dilworth
Scott Jackson
Sonya Mallinoff
Dick McCombie
Kathy Kahn
David Stern
Vicki Chandler

All Invited to Share

Family Remembrances

Alison Silverthorne
William Silverthorne

*Reception to follow in Jane's honor at the
Grand Cru Wine Bar
4301 Wilson Blvd #100 in Ballston
5:15-6:15 pm*



Please join us in person or by Zoom

<https://farmjournal.zoom.us/j/94055335921?pwd=ak9tazJzRks5NWZvNHJjakYzdGFyZz09&from=addon#success>