

Milwaukee Alderwoman Coggs: Statement on the death of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

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In service and in life, fighting for a better tomorrow is never easy. That said, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg made it look easy. As only the second woman to serve on the Supreme Court, she was a trailblazer for women's equality whose impact on the law will be felt for generations to come.

In the midst of her own devastating health battles with cancer she remained committed to working at this nation's highest court on cases that help set the trajectory of this country. Last evening, at the age of 87 she passed away.

At such a politically divisive time in our nation she proved to be an even-keeled advocate who helped add reason and stability to the Supreme Court and its decisions. She always encouraged others to "fight for things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you."

Justice Ginsburg's wit and candor will be sorely missed.

Supreme Court Justice Ginsburg will have no problem being remembered exactly as she wished as "Someone who used whatever talent she had to do her work to the very best of her ability. And to help repair tears in her society, to make things a little better through the use of whatever ability she has."

Condolences to her family and this nation should be eternally grateful for her service.