

ELIZABETH GARRETT 1963-2016

Garrett was a ‘vibrant and passionate leader’



Elizabeth Garrett, Cornell University's 13th president, talks with Robert Harrison, the chairman of the board of trustees, between questions in September at a press conference. SIMON WHEELER/STAFF PHOTO

CU president dies a month after cancer diagnosis

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Cornell University President Elizabeth Garrett died Sunday about a month after being diagnosed with colon cancer. Garrett, 52, was inaugurated as Cornell's 13th and first female president Sept. 18. Before Cornell, Garrett was provost of the University of Southern California. She started in her role at Cornell on July 1. In early February, Garrett announced she was diagnosed with colon cancer and began aggressive treatment at Weill Cornell Medicine in New York City. She was released from the intensive care unit at Weill following surgery Feb. 19, according to Acting President Michael Kotlikoff.

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The inauguration of Elizabeth Garrett as the 13th president of Cornell University. SIMON WHEELER/STAFF PHOTO

Cornell community gathers to honor Elizabeth Garrett

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Just a few months ago, on a green lawn under blue skies, the 21 bells of McGraw Tower at Cornell University chimed out in jubilation while the Arts Quad below hummed in excitement, the campus set to inaugurate its first female president, Elizabeth Garrett. Not even six months later, under the unseasonable warmth of a pale blue sky, the quad was filled again, as the campus community gathered at 4 p.m. Monday to pay their respects to the woman who, a half year earlier, shared her vision for a campus community poised to challenge not only the conventions of traditional thinking, but to that of the entire academic world.

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