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Obituary

Elfriede Gref (GER)

It is with regret and sorrow that the ISU learned of the death of former ISU Judge and Referee, Mrs. Elfriede Gref who passed away on September 10, 2020 at the age of 84.

Elfriede started her career in 1957 as a Judge in her home association, the Hessischen Eissportverband (Hessian Ice Sports Association). She then continued her career as a Judge for International Competitions from 1968. In 1972, she started to judge in numerous ISU Events including the Junior Grand Prix Final, Four Continents Championships, European Championships and World Figure Skating Championships. Following several years of judging, Elfriede then served as a Referee at the Junior Grand Prix Final, Grand Prix of Figure Skating, and as an Assistant Referee at the World Figure Skating Championships and other Events.

Always deeply dedicated to the Sport, Elfriede played an active role in local Organizing Committees for several International Competitions and ISU Championships. She was also a member of the board of the Deutsche Eislauf-Union, (ISU Figure Skating Member in Germany) from 1976 to 1996, and an honorary member since 1996.

The ISU pays tribute to Elfriede Gref and will remember her with affection.