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The motorsports world mourns the passing of Jean Argetsinger, 'First Lady of American road racing'

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On behalf of the entire 58th Senate District, I would like to extend and express our condolences to the family of Jean Argetsinger, who passed away this week at the age of 97 at her home in Burdett, New York.

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Ms. Argetsinger was a founder of the **International Motor Racing Research (IMRCC)** in Watkins Glen, New York. **The IMRCC released a statement on her death on Wednesday.**

Read more about the life and legacy of Jean Argetsinger **HERE**. Read her obituary **HERE**.

News of her death is being reported around the world. Read more from the:

Star-Gazette, "**Motorsports pillar Jean Argetsinger dies at 97**"

ESPN, "**Jean Argetsinger, who steered rebirth of road racing, dies at 97**"

Speedsport, "**Jean Argetsinger dies at 97**"

Yahoo Sports, "**Jean Argetsinger, pillar of U.S. road racing, dies at 97**"