



Lorna Armstrong Lutz

March 28, 1939 - April 18, 2021

Lorna Armstrong Lutz was born in Chicago, IL on March 28, 1939. She was the only child of Walter and Georgianna Armstrong. When she was seven, 1946, her father was transferred to Vienna, Austria where he was a civilian economist attached to the Navy, from the Pentagon and one of the first civilians to go to Europe after World War II. Lorna and her family lived there until 1953. She had many unique experiences with the Russian troops and rode Gen Herman Goring's horse from the Russian Army.

Returning to the US they lived in Washington D.C. She graduated from Bethesda Chevy-Chase High School and then from the University of Illinois. She started her teaching career in Maryland. She attended St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Washington D.C. It was there she met her husband, Willard Lutz. They were married December 23, 1961 at St. Mark's Church. Willard entered MCV Dental School in September of 1961. After marriage, Lorna moved to Richmond where she taught at Seven Pines Elementary School. Lorna is the mother of five children, Walter, Catherine, Wayne, Caren, and Cristen. Also, foster daughters Leona and Trudy. There was also five exchange students and five other foster children in their home.

After moving to Luray with her husband, Lorna taught in Page County for several years. She also taught Weekday Religious Education for several years. She then moved with her husband to New Market in 1975 and taught school at Rockingham and Shenandoah County Schools until she retired in 2001. After retirement Lorna substituted teaching until 2016.

Lorna was active in church, serving on the consistory of Christ UCC for many years, and was secretary of Consistory. She also sang in the choir.

Lorna was a member of Virginia Education and National Education Association and attended many conventions as a delegate. She also served the Shenandoah County Teachers Association and the Shenandoah County Retired Association.

Lorna served on the Shenandoah County Planning Commission for the future of Shenandoah County in the 1990's. Lorna never met a stranger and was a faithful partner and wife. Also, totally devoted to her children and all students she taught over her teaching career. Lorna's smile would light up a room and she was a true blessing to everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Lorna went to her Heavenly home on April 18, 2021.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or Christ United Church of Christ, P.O. 968, Mount Jackson, VA 22842.

Online Condolence may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lorna Armstong Lutz*

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ *Lorna Armstong Lutz*

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ *Mrs. Lutz was my 5th grade teacher at Luray Elementary School in 1978/79. I LOVED her so much and never forgot her. She was a wonderful teacher. She gave me a picture of herself in a beautiful pink dress. I have kept it all of these years. She made a great impression on me-- her kindness and love for her students was evident. <3*

Dee Kuster - July 12, 2021 at 12:36 PM



“ *Debbie and I extend our love to the family. Lorna and Willard took Debbie and her sister into their home in Luray during desperate times. Debbie was working for Willard at the time in his dental office. Lorna included her in their activities. Lorna always had a smile. She helped with our wedding reception and was Debbie's Matron of Honor in our wedding. Words cannot express the love and gratitude for all she and Willard did for Debbie and I. She truly was and is Saint. Love always! Robin and Debbie Johns*

Robin Johns - April 23, 2021 at 08:40 PM

DS

“ Mrs. Lutz was a kind and gracious lady who made a positive impact on so many lives. She will be greatly missed. Our condolences to Dr. Lutz and the family.

Dawn Southerly
LFCC Dental Hygiene Faculty

Dawn Southerly - April 22, 2021 at 01:36 PM

SV

“ Mrs. Lutz was such a nice lady. She taught my son in 3rd grade at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Strasburg. She was a very kind lady, she will be missed. Prayers and thoughts to her family. God bless each of you.



Sheri (albright)& Dennis vann - April 22, 2021 at 01:06 PM

CH

“ Lorna was such a dedicated teacher and a dynamic woman. She will be missed on earth but her smile is lighting up heaven. Wishing her family much love and comfort as Lorna's legacy lives on through them. Carol Henry

Carol Henry - April 21, 2021 at 07:15 PM

 Cathy
Lutz

“ I love you Momma and I will certainly miss you, but I'm glad you are free of your earthly body.

Love, Cathy

Cathy Lutz - April 21, 2021 at 05:08 PM

PK

“ I was so sorry to hear of Lorna's passing. She was one of the nicest women I have ever known. Dr. Lutz, know that I will keep you and family in my prayers. Peggy Kile

Peggy Kile - April 21, 2021 at 05:03 PM

DM

“ Dr. Lutz, so sorry to hear about Lorna. We know she will leave a big chasm in your life. Remember the good times you got to share. Condolences to you and your family. DJ and Wanda Masilek(RHHD).

D J Masilek - April 21, 2021 at 04:57 PM

CS

“ We are so sorry to hear of Lorna's passing. Lorna was a wonderful roommate to our mother, Lois Spitzer when she was at Timberview Crossing. We enjoyed getting to know Lorna, Willard and their family while the 2 families would visit their loved ones. Praying for comfort for the family as you grieve for such a sweet lady . Lois and Stan Spitzer, Travis and Cindy Spitzer, Cindy and Darrell Thompson, June and Terry Spitzer and Trent Spitzer

Cindy Spitzer - April 21, 2021 at 12:56 PM

DG

“ May God be with you all during this difficult time. Lorna was a sweet lady and I enjoyed see her everyday at the school where we worked together.

Denise Sager Gochenour - April 21, 2021 at 07:47 AM