



Lorena Lynn Wingfield Vassar

April 23, 1962 - August 20, 2020

The bubbly spirit of Lorena Lynn Wingfield Vassar, age 58, Manchester, TN, was lifted from this mortal world on Thursday, August 20, 2020, in Select Specialty Hospital, Nashville, TN, after a relatively short but fearsome battle with interstitial lung disease.

Lorena was the first-born of Loran II and Linda (Haney) Wingfield; born in Sturgis, MI on April 23, 1962 – the anniversary of the birth of William Shakespeare, which is appropriate to her love of the English language. She graduated from Centreville High School, Centreville, MI, in 1980 (A decimal point knocked her down to 11th place in her class, much to her chagrin.). She then attended Glen Oaks Community College there.

Lorena was a talented musician, playing first chair flute in the high school band. She loved to draw and write. Teachers never had to worry that an essay would not meet the required number of words. Lorena never seemed to run out of words. It didn't matter if she was meeting you for the first time, stranger was not part of her vocabulary. People will probably remember her most for her dazzling smile and kitten sneezes! She also loved animals, especially cats and elephants. But most of all she loved her little cocker spaniel Ozzie, who will not be able to understand why she is no longer in the bed for him to cuddle with. She was the loudest fan in the stands at all of her children Ali and Ean's ballgames (just as she had been for her brother and sisters). I don't think she ever missed a one. No matter how hot or cold or damp or long the day was, she came prepared with all the refreshments and paraphernalia to

cheer them on and cheer them up. In the last almost 5 years she was blessed with a new joy – being GG to her grandson Camden! When they were physically distant, they could be close on Face-time. Aah, the blessings of technology. Camden will not forget his GG.

Lorena leaves in mourning her husband of 21 years James (Snoopy) Vassar. They remained deeply in love and committed to their families throughout their long marriage. Also surviving are her son Ean Vassar, a senior at Temple Baptist Christian School, Manchester; daughter Alexandria Kegg, a Scheduling Coordinator for the American Red Cross; and grandson Camden Kegg, father Loran Wingfield II, mother Linda Wingfield, brother Larry (Alise) Wingfield, sisters Lynda Lou Wingfield and Lucinda (Shane) Shepherd and her mother-in-law Betty Bohannan. She also leaves behind a loving clan of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandparents: Lawrence & Ethelyn Haney and Loran Wingfield Sr. and her father-in-law Fred (James I) Vassar.

According to her wishes, cremation has taken place. A celebration of her life is being planned by the family for a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorial donations be made to the Tullahoma Animal Shelter.

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lorena Lynn Wingfield Vassar*

January 25, 2023 at 12:28 AM



“ *I had Lorena as a student and remember her as a very bright and caring young lady. Sorry for your loss, Hutch*

Janice Hutchins - August 28, 2020 at 09:16 PM



Thank you for your memory.

Linda Haney Wingfield - October 09, 2020 at 05:18 PM



“ *Lorena was one of the sweetest people I know! She always had a smile on her face. Such a sweetheart!*



Vicky Hines - August 26, 2020 at 12:44 AM

LS

“ Lorena and I went to high school together in Centreville. I moved out of state after graduation and except for seeing her at our 10th Centreville HS Reunion, I had not connected with her again until 10 years ago when I friended her on Facebook. Though I live in California and she lived in Tennessee, we touched base frequently on Messenger. Never shy or one to speak briefly, Lorena would write several paragraph messages to me often and kept me abreast of her life and family. She also shared photos of her beautiful grandchild, Camden. She was such a lovely person.
Prayers, Love and Condolences to her family,
LaNel Hagelgans Shimano

To Lorena,
Light up Heaven with your exuberant personality, beautiful smile
and laughter!
You will be missed,
LaNel

LaNel Shimano - August 25, 2020 at 08:18 PM

AN

“ My niece was such a happy person, never ran out of smiles. She filled so many lives with happiness. Even though we weren't close to see each other we had fb to keep up with family. She will always be in my heart. Loved her very much. To heaven I know she went because that's where angels go. See you on the other side my dear Lorena. Take good care if her God



Aunt Nora - August 25, 2020 at 09:25 AM

LW

Thank you, Nora. ❤️

Linda. Wingfield - August 26, 2020 at 12:16 AM

KC

“ Lorena was involved in the music program at Glen Oaks Community College when I was a part-time music instructor, teaching piano classes, both group and individual. Lorena took my piano class and did a great job in playing the piano. What made it extra special for me was that her name, Lorena, was the same name that my Grandma Love had. My Grandma Lorena Love was an accomplished pianist and church organist, as well as piano music composer with my Grandpa Charles Love. Also, my high school girlfriend , Linda Haney , was Lorena’s Mother. My prayers are with Lorena’s entire family! With sympathy, Katharine (Kathy Love) Cary.

Katharine (Love) Cary - August 25, 2020 at 08:04 AM

LW

Thank you so much for this memory, Kathy. I never knew that your grandmother and my daughter shared the same name. That’s very special.

Linda. Wingfield - August 26, 2020 at 12:18 AM

PH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God give you the strength and comfort during this time and the days ahead.



Patricia Hill - August 24, 2020 at 08:28 PM

PH

“ Patricia Hill sent a virtual gift in memory of Lorena Lynn Wingfield Vassar



Patricia Hill - August 24, 2020 at 08:17 PM

CZ

I graduated with Lorena from CHS. I have fond memories. Blessings of God's grace and peace.

Clint Zehr - August 25, 2020 at 07:59 AM



Lorena was one of the sweetest people I know. She always had a smile on her face. She went out of her way to help those she loved! She once saved 4 orphaned children when they were 6 months old to age 5 or 6 years from their mom who had them locked in the house with windows boarded up. That had to of taken courage, but she did it out of love!

It was very apparent how much she loved Snoopy, Ean, Ali and that grand baby! 😊 She was a friend. I will be happy to see her in Heaven. 😊

Vicky Hines - August 26, 2020 at 12:55 AM

JM

Larry and Family, accept my deepest condolences and know that God loves you and can restore your spirits, give you peace, and strengthen you.

James McComb

James McComb - August 26, 2020 at 09:43 AM