



Lorraine N. Larance

February 10, 1919 - May 11, 2011

Lorraine N. Larance, 92, passed away peacefully on May 11, 2011 at Life Care Center of Littleton, Colorado. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 57 years – Mayo. Born in Devil's Lake, North Dakota – Lorraine was one of five children born to Lucile and Earl E. Ellis and enjoyed her childhood in the small town of Starkweather, North Dakota. She was a graduate of the University of North Dakota with a degree in Education and received a Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Minnesota. Lorraine spent 24 years of her life as a dedicated English teacher, in North Dakota, Minnesota, Washington, Michigan, and Missouri. At different times in her life, her sense of adventure led her to work for United Airlines in San Francisco and later served as a Hospital Librarian for the U.S. Army at Fort Carson, Colorado; Camp Lucas, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and Fort Leonard Wood Missouri. It was at Fort Carson, Colorado that she met her future husband, Mayo, a Sargent in the US Army. They were married on May 10, 1951, and lived a wonderful life together for many, many years. For a number of years after retirement, Lorraine served as a volunteer at Missouri Delta Medical Center in Sikeston, Missouri. She was an avid reader and loved doing needlepoint, jigsaw and crossword puzzles to pass the time. Lorraine had a passion for traveling and seeing new places. With her family, and later with just her husband, Mayo, they traveled the highways and byways of the United States and Canada, visiting numerous scenic and interesting places. Lorraine was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church. Lorraine is

survived by her four children, Beverly Mobley of Parkville, Missouri, Pat Larance -Whicker of Los Alamos, New Mexico, Greg Larance of Apex, North Carolina, and Brad Larance of Littleton, Colorado; five grandchildren, a sister, Bernice Alderson of Grand Forks, North Dakota; and one brother, Dr. Robert Ellis of Fort Collins, Colorado. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 17 at Bohlender Funeral Chapel in Fort Collins, Colorado. Reverend David Dalke will officiate the service. Private Interment will be at Fort Logan National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations may be made directly to the American Red Cross in support of the victims of the recent national disasters across the United States. Friends may send condolences to the family at bohlenderfuneralchapel.com.

Tribute Wall

ES

“ Today is 08/12/20. I am just now seeing this obituary of Mrs. Larance. I was a student of hers in 1967-68 at Morehouse High School. She was an awesome teacher. I had her in English and she also sponsored our junior high school play the year before. “Danger Willie at Work” was the name of our play. She was awesome and we had a great play. She always listened to anything we had to say. I didn’t know all the places and things she had done unto Now when I read about her in the obituary. Wow! I knew she was interesting but I didn’t know just how much. I know her family will probably never see this post because it has been so long. Maybe some how they will see it. I’m sure she had thousands of students that loved her. I did too. My email ellensherrod68@yahoo.com.

Ellen Painter Sherrod. - August 11, 2020 at 01:56 PM

BS

“ I was privileged to attend Saturday night church with Lorraine and Mayo when they lived in Sikeston. They were always willing to drive the van and anything else they could do for someone. They were with me in 1997 when my husband unexpectedly passed away. My daughter and I were very fortunate to visit them in their home in Fort Collins and were greeted with open arms. It is great that they were able to drive and travel all over the country to visit family and friends. I will never forget them.

Bonnie Stewart - May 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ I was blessed to have gotten to know Aunt Lorraine through gatherings in Starkweather, ND; her and her family's many roadtrips, which brought them to Fort Collins; our triennial family reunions in MN; and Larry and Lorraine's relocation to CO from MO. I'm an introvert, but I never lacked for conversation with Lorraine. I enjoyed hearing about her past playing the drums, lettering in table tennis at UND!, but also about what she was up to currently. I will miss Lorraine but also be grateful for having had her in my life.

Jennifer Ellis - May 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ She was a great lady she will be missed. I think about her and Mayo almost every day.

Bill Howard RTR,RTN - May 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ I always enjoyed seeing your Mom and Dad and catching up on the latest. I usually ran into them at the post office in Sikeston. I know you will miss them terribly, but it is good to know they are together again. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Carol Hutchcraft Towe - May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Lorraine, Thank you for all of your wonderful hugs. They still mean so much to me. Thank you for loving us.

Leslie Wright - May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ God be with you now ..My thoughts are with you...your mom and I were close...also your dad...at Christmas I have dressed both many times for our Christmas scenes at church..they contacted me when they moved...have missed them dearly and now I know that they are together with the Lord...God Bless you and your family...ConnieSpears

Connie Spears - May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers go to all of you with the loss of your mother. May God Bless each one of you and keep his loving arms around you to give you comfort at this time.

Juanita Ball - May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Your family is in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Jan & John Peck - May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Thinking of you and your Family at this time.

Sandra Hargrove - May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM