



Lynda Ruland Elder

December 2, 1948 - November 15, 2020

Elder, Lynda Ruland – age 71, of Knoxville, passed away on Sunday, November 15, 2020. Lynda was born in Scranton, PA but grew up in Houston, Texas. She married her high school sweetheart and moved to Knoxville in 1983. Lynda was a servant of others first and foremost, she dedicated her time and energy in ministries in and around Knoxville. She worked in administration at both Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church and Joni and Friends, where she also served on the Board of Directors. Lynda started the deaf ministry at Cedar Springs and was a key member of the Buddy Blast ministry there as well. In more recent years she spent her time with the Smoky Mountain service dogs organization. Lynda was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Elder. She is survived by her daughter, Laura Brewer and husband Peter; son, Joe Elder and wife Nancy; grandchildren, Sarah and Rachel Rice, and Hannah and Evan Elder; brothers, Joe Ruland and wife Mori, Thomas (Kit) Ruland and wife Brigid. A graveside service will be held on Thursday at 2:00 pm at Oak Ridge Memorial Park. Service will be streamed live on Rose Mortuary Mann Heritage Chapel's facebook page. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in Lynda's name to either Cedar Springs Presbyterian Mission Fund, 9132 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37923, or Joni and Friends, Knoxville, 410 South Northshore Dr., Knoxville, TN 37919.

Arrangements by Rose Mortuary Mann Heritage Chapel, online condolences may be made at www.rosemortuary.com

Events

NOV **Graveside Service** 02:00PM
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Oak Ridge Memorial Park
1501 Bethel valley Rd., Oak Ridge, TN, US

Comments



“ Dear Laura and Joe,
My heart is filled with sorrow, yet so much love as I remember your precious mom. She will always be remembered for her love, gentleness, kindness, and goodness. She was a true servant of the Lord. I so look forward to our joyous reunion, all praising the Lord together. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I love you so much.

Julie Bannert - November 22, 2020 at 06:01 AM



“ Dear Laura and Joe,
What a blessing you had in life to have such a dear Mom! But such a deep love leaves a deep sorrow so my deepest sympathies are with you. I too have a deep sorrow for your Mom was such a very dear friend of mine. She was also a precious sister in Christ and I am so grateful that the Lord allowed our paths to cross and become such dear friends. I do find comfort knowing she is out of pain and with your Dad and her parents and other loved ones. My heart felt prayers are going out to both of you and to your families. Much love in Christ. Pat Pettway

Pat Pettway - November 21, 2020 at 11:59 AM



“ Joe and family,
I am truly sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Please accept my condolences and may prayers help comfort you and bring you peace.
Please let me know if you all need anything!
Shannon Morris

Shannon Morris - November 19, 2020 at 09:37 PM



“ Dear Laura and Joe,
Mary Jo and I cherished our union in Christ with our sister and brother, Lynda and Ray, our neighbors and dearest of friends. What joy remembering the countless good times together, of ministering together at our home Bible class on Oaknut Dr. and at Spring Branch Community Church. I'm believing that our Lord allowed, after He greeted Lynda, to have Mary Jo welcome her also. I eagerly await being reunited together again and forever being in Heaven with our Lord and all the saints.
Much love and gratitude in Christ,
Ron McDonnell
Katy, Texas

Ronald McDonnell - November 19, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ Rest In Peace Lynda
Love and hugs,
Lynn and Phil Beam

Lynn and Phil Beam - November 18, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ Laura and Joe,

So sorry to hear about your mom. Your parents were both such wonderful, kind people. I remember that they kept Robyn at their house the night Kelly was born! I know the last few years have been rough, but there should also be plenty of wonderful memories, They loved Jesus and are now restored,

Jody (and Lee) Hendrick

Jody Hendrick - November 17, 2020 at 11:28 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lynda Ruland Elder.



November 16, 2020 at 09:29 PM