



Lynne Meredith Van Horn

September 16, 1940 - August 29, 2021

On August 29, 2021, Lynne Meredith Holtzclaw Van Horn died peacefully. Lynne was born September 16, 1940, in Buffalo, New York to the late William Meredith and Marion Eugenia Osborn Holtzclaw. Lynne attended Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, where she was Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, and majored in Home Economics. On August 31, 1963, Lynne married Ray Leroy Van Horn, relocating to Chicago, Illinois for Ray to complete his MBA. While in Chicago, Lynne attended the Ray Vogue College of Design, specializing in Retail Merchandising. Lynne and Ray moved 20 times to advance Ray's career and added 2 children to their marriage: Lawrence (Larry) and Katherine (Katie).

Lynne found her passion helping others and while living in Simsbury Connecticut. Lynne became an Emergency Medical Technician. She especially enjoyed being a part of the volunteer ambulance team and taught the class to others wanting to pursue this career. While in Chicago Lynne was able to further her desire to help others by working as a nurse's aid in a pediatrician's office, where she loved not only the people she worked with, but also the kids she helped. On the next stop in Rogers, Arkansas, Lynne took classes at the community college so that she could work as an Oncology nurse's aid, helping many people in their battle with cancer.

Retirement was a welcome change as Lynne and Ray relocated to Annapolis, Maryland. They were fortunate Katie also chose to live in Maryland, creating

many family events. Lynne enjoyed entertaining, and was a skilled mate on the family sailboat, "Scimitar". They enjoyed travelling the country in their motorhome with Lynne's beloved English Setter "Freckles", visiting many National Parks and making new friends along the way. Lynne was an excellent bridge player, loved to garden, becoming a Master Gardener, and loved making chocolate chip cookies for her grandchildren.

Another fun fact was Lynne was an avid sports fan from PGA golf, The Washington Nationals (attending a game whenever possible with her family), The Washington Capitals and the Washington Redskins (yes, when she was watching they were still called the Redskins!).

After Larry and Katie married, Larry's children: Leland, Madeline, Harrison, and Meredith; and Katie & Gem's sons: Kevin and Bryan, added much vitality and love to Lynne's and Ray's lives as "Nana" and "Papa". For their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Lynne and Ray invited the entire family to a cruise and land trip to Alaska. Annual family reunions are an integral Van Horn tradition.

In 2014 Lynne and Ray relocated to Bayleigh Chase Retirement Community in Easton, where Lynne played bridge, was a member of the Choir, started a "Color Me Calm" weekly art class, and participated in most community outings, Most important were daily walks throughout the Community with Freckles. One lasting achievement was marrying two of her friends. One ceremony was especially challenging— being new residents of the Eastern Shore Ray learned how challenging the Bay Brige can be to making scheduled activities-,they made it -but it was close! They joined Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Oxford in 2017.

In addition to her husband Ray, Lynne is survived by their son Larry of Franklin TN, and his children: Leland, Madeline, Harrison, and Meredith; and by their daughter, Katie Gurcan and her husband Gem of Gaithersburg MD and their sons Kevin and Bryan. Lynne is also survived by a brother, Barry, of

Seattle Washington, and his son, Tim and daughter Susie. She also leaves her Bayleigh Chase family.

The family wish to thank the staff of the Memory Care Unit at Bayleigh Chase for their genuine caring assistance to Lynne during the past several years, and the Talbot Hospice staff, who provided additional care the last week of Lynne's life.

A Church Celebration of Life is scheduled for September 14 at 11 AM at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Oxford. A graveside service and burial will be held at the Van Horn Family Cemetery in Findlay, Ohio later this year. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Bayleigh Chase Memory Care, 501 Dutchmans Lane Easton , MD 21601 in Lynne's memory.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Holy Trinity
502 S Morris St
Oxford, MD 21654
(410) 226-5134

Tribute Wall



“ *Lynne Meredith Van Horn*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Lynne Meredith Van Horn*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Lynne Meredith Van Horn*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dear Ray and family*

What a wonderful, wonderful, wonderful life Lynne had with you, Larry, Katie, the grandkids and Barry too. We feel so privileged to have spent many fun times with you whether afloat, playing golf or visiting interesting places in Florida on your RV. Lynne always made us feel like members of the Van Horn family especially when Lynne and Connie almost shared the same birthday. She will be missed and long remembered.

Ed Dooley and Connie Corbett

ed dooley - September 13, 2021 at 04:22 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lynne Meredith Van Horn.*



September 13, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *Dear Ray,*

David and I are so saddened to hear of Lynne's passing and we send deepest sympathy and sincere condolences to you and your family. Please know we shall keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. I remember happy times in Lenoir, with Ferne, too.

We are holding you up in prayer.

Sending love - Hazel

david willdigg - September 10, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Ray,*

So sorry to hear of Lynne's death. We have fond memories of your time in Anchorage. Serving on the board with you and Lynne was a delight. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Jack and Vernetta Johnston

Jack Johnston - September 09, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ Dear Ray, my sincere condolences on the passing of your dear wife Lynne, of whom I have such fond memories. At 420 Fillmore Ave in E.A. I was allowed to stay in "her" room which became my home for one year. Sadly, we have never met since!
Christian W Hess

Christian Hess - September 06, 2021 at 04:30 PM

JK

“ Ray and Family. Please accept my condolences on the passing of Lynn. We were classmates in East Aurora. I have many happy memories at the Holzclaw house on Fillmore Ave. Mrs. Holzclaw always had delicious after school goodies. Mrs. Osborn was there with her regal presence. Lynn visited me here in Mystic while she lived in Simsbury. Time has passed too fast.

Jacqui Keller - September 05, 2021 at 11:41 AM