



Loretta Vanderkolk

December 22, 1931 - May 9, 2022

Loretta Della (Martisus) Kern Vanderkolk was born in Chicago, Illinois on Tuesday, December 22, 1931, to Charles J. and Della (Nasvit) Martisus. She passed from this life in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Monday, May 9, 2022, at the age of 90.

She was the third of three daughters born to the Martisus couple. Loretta's grandparents migrated over from Lithuania. Her father was a machinist in a battery factory and her mother worked in a sausage factory in Chicago. The girls attended Casimir Academy and Loretta graduated in 1949. She was described as a girl who often found mischief, she loved to play music and dance. She became the mother of four children. Loretta was married twice but continued her life filled with entertaining in her home, loving on her children and grandchildren and enjoying all sorts of games, especially Bunko. Loretta loved the beaches. Her two favorites were Shoal Bay in Anguilla and Sanibel Island in Florida. You always knew where you stood with her, but she was also loving, caring, fun and feisty. When one of her family would bring up an issue in their life she was quoted as saying, "Give God a break, He has His Hands Full!"

Loretta was a wonderful cook. Her Lithuanian Dumplings and Sour Cream Twists were two of her family's favorites. She was an active member of The Church of Saint Benedict here in Broken Arrow. She will be missed by all who

knew and loved her.

Left to cherish her memory are Son, Don Kern, and his wife, Diane of Broken Arrow

Daughter, Regina Morgan, and her husband, Darell of Owasso

Daughter, Karen Spradlin of Tulsa

Grandchildren: Stephanie Cox (Brent), Brian Schouten (Annie), Vanessa Swainston, and Melissa Bartz (Andrew)

Great Grandchildren: Christian Lewis, Mackenzie Lewis-Zeigler, Braden Cox, Bryson Cox, Braxton Cox, Hayden Schouten, Kinsley Schouten, Eto Morgan, and Reef Stephens

Nieces: Maureen Kern, and Jackie Robinson

Nephews: Rick Kern Tommy Trojanowski, Terry Kern, Cary Kern, and Gary Kern

Those who preceded her in death are her parents, Charles and Della Martisus, husbands, Donald Henry Kern and Ty Vanderkolk, sisters, Sophie Trojanowski and Annie Faulk, daughter, Susan Kern and grandson, Chad Castleberry

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
1660 South Elm Place
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
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Funeral Mass

MAY 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of Saint Benedict
2200 W. Ithica Street
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Tribute Wall



“ *Loretta Vanderkolk*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 13, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 12, 2022 at 05:49 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 12, 2022 at 04:13 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 12, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 12, 2022 at 12:00 PM



“ *Loretta was a fun loving, free spirited, unforgettable and amazing woman, with just a hint of oneryness. She was so much fun and lived life to the fullest right up to the end. She was a fabulous friend, co-worker, Bunco buddy and birthday twin, and she will be missed so much. I've no doubt that Loretta is letting the good times roll in heaven.*



Marilyn Williams - May 12, 2022 at 10:23 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.



May 12, 2022 at 10:14 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.



May 12, 2022 at 05:46 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.



May 11, 2022 at 11:30 PM



“ *LORETTA'S BUNKO FAMILY* purchased the *Lavender Reflections Spray* for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.



LORETTA'S BUNKO FAMILY - May 11, 2022 at 06:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Loretta Vanderkolk.*



May 11, 2022 at 09:00 AM



“ *Loretta was a true friend. I meet her at Oxy and was invited to join the Ladies Bunco group. Being Loretta's Bunco buddy was wonderful and she was so much fun to be around. I count all my blessings with her. Then when I moved back from California and Texas I rejoined the Bunco group again and it was as if nothing had changed. I had the great opportunity to have Loretta work for me. Loretta was such pleasure to work with as well as fun and always in good spirits and kept me laughing. Loretta was one classy gal and a great friend. I loved her so much and will truly miss her. Rest in piece my dear friend.*

Marilyn Barnes - May 10, 2022 at 10:11 PM



“ *Donnie, Gina and Karen your Mother was one of a kind. She loved her family with all of her heart. She was one of my best friends . We shared so much thru the years , happiness, trials, grand kids, bunco, etc. She is one lady that was always there for me. My heart is broken that I won't hear the old woman's voice checking on me. I can hear her now(God I am here.) Keeping you all in my prayers.*

Joyce

Joyce Gold - May 10, 2022 at 09:58 PM

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“ To My Dear Friend Luther and her family.... there are not enough pages to count all the wonderful memories we had together as best friends during the last 42 years.

One of my fondest memories is when I first met you in 1980 while working at Cities Service. You walked into the office area wearing a big 'ol cowboy hat and a loud voice saying hello to all. I was thinking, "who is this loud person and why is everyone flocking around her"? It didn't take long to figure out why others flocked around you - and we quickly became very fast friends.

Obviously, you were always the laughter and life of the party, even if it wasn't a party intended for you! Your welcoming ways, warm heart for others and kind words to share were indeed sincere. I will miss you laughter and your warped sense of humor the most.

Thank you for sharing 42 years of your life with me, to include participating in family gatherings with both of our families - sometimes at the same party. At wedding receptions, graduations and birthdays celebrations - oh, the dancing that you did with all the good looking men as you were never the wallflower! I also cherish all the many vacations we took together and the many humorous private discussions we had about our ex-husbands.

*Rest in piece my friend - Love always and forever in my heart -
Carolyn*

Friend Forever - Carolyn - May 10, 2022 at 03:07 PM

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“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Vanderkolk family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Loretta*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - May 10, 2022 at 09:16 AM