



Loy Samples

October 8, 1941 - July 29, 2021

Loy Samples passed away peacefully Friday, July 29, 2021, at Mt. Bachelor Memory Care in Bend, Oregon. She was blessed to be surrounded by loved ones in her last days. Loy was born October 8, 1941 to Lloyd and Mildred Clark in Pinehurst, North Carolina.

Loy met her husband, Vern Samples, in 1957 while Vern was stationed at Fort Bragg and she was in high school in Southern Pines, North Carolina. They married in 1959 where the young couple moved to Madras, Oregon. Soon followed the birth of their daughter Arden and son Shane. Loy and Vern later moved to Cottage Grove, Oregon where their third child, Andrew was born. Loy found joy doing ceramics and bridge with her friends. Dressing up for parties and being silly in Halloween costumes bringing laughter to others. Moving next and finally to reside in Redmond, Oregon she became active in Welcome Home activities for those new to town and playing bridge with her friends. She also welcomed her fourth child Kiley. As her children grew up, Loy found clog as her passion creating the Sunshine Exchange Cloggers in Central Oregon for over 30 years. She instructed workshops where she did the choreography and became a nationally known clogger twice invited to perform at National Clogging convention. Many local performances for professional organizations and community events. Loy was active at the Tom McCall school for special needs providing class, doing movement and dance weekly. She was most proud that the young students won first place in the

school talent show.

Loy loved her family and friends while always being true to herself. This included taking time to go to New York to see as many Broadway plays as she could and saving every billboard. She loved the arts, dancing, and music.

She is survived by her sister Lillian Rooks, brother Tom Clark, daughter Arden Owens, sons Shane, Andrew and Kiley Samples and respective spouses Lori, Anna, and Carla Samples, 14 grandchildren (Bret - deceased 6/18, Zach, Audra, Evan, Victoria, Katie, Hayden, Sydney, Clark, Drew, Ridge, Sage, Macy, Dasha, David) and 12 great grandchildren.

Those wishing to honor Loy's memory can contribute the Lewy Body Dementia Association

<https://www.lbda.org/donate/>. This is the disease that took her life and spirit.

Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the album *New Album*



Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery - May 18, 2023 at 03:01 PM

DS

“ *Kyley, I'm so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and your family. Debora Expo RV Park*

Deb Shuping - August 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Our sincere love and sympathy go out to Loy's family. She was a special friend who had so much energy and happiness within her. We were on the same bowling team for a long time. I cherish the memories we shared. I will miss you Rest in Peace, My Sweet! Love, Ted and Donna Moan*

Donna Moan - August 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

EA

“ So sorry we lost Loy but we will never lose our sweet memories of her. I was from her home town of Southern Pines NC and we were in the same high school graduating class of 1959. She never forgot her Southern roots but adapted to life where ever she was. We both ended up in the Pacific Northwest and that made us even closer. Loy was always fun with a special carefree spirit. She loved her husband and children fiercely. Oh, did I mention her sense of humor? I'm grateful to have known her. Rest In peace dear Loy.

Elsie Akerson - August 06, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I remember a clogging dance competition. Loy and her group dressed up as reindeer and dance to Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer. It was amazing! Lots of smiles and laughter!!!! We always had a good time. I have missed her and will. KayAnn McDow-Boline.

Kay Ann Boline - August 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

A Memorial Tree was planted for Loy Samples - August 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BH

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Bend Funeral Homes - August 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM