



Lydia Loncar

March 20, 1924 - July 5, 2009

Lydia Grace Loncar was born March 20, 1924 in Jermyn, Texas to Bowden and Elizabeth (Ham) Spearman. She was preceded in death by her parents and her beloved brother, James David Spearman. Miss Loncar passed away Sunday July 5, 2009 at her home in Jacksboro at the age of 85 years. Throughout her life, Lydia touched the lives of so many students. She received her Masters degree from North Texas University and taught school seven years in Bryson and 31 years in Jacksboro. She loved to read, work crossword puzzles, and paint. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Jacksboro; the Retired Teachers Association and the Order of Eastern Stars #390. She is survived by her daughter, Vicki Elizabeth Schrader, and her husband, Dr. Larry Schrader of Austin; grandchildren, Brett Alan Schrader and his wife, Lisa of Houston; Meka Elizabeth Arend, and her husband, Chris of Houston; and Erin Leann Schrader of Austin; two great-grandchildren, Drew Arend and Mackenzie Elizabeth Arend of Houston; her sister, Betty Counts of Corsicana, and her children Randy and David Counts and their families; her sister-in-law, Louise Spearman, and her children Tim; Tom; and David Spearman and their families. Respecting her wishes, Lydia was cremated and will be buried next to her parents in Graceland Cemetery at a later date. Those wishing to make a memorial contribution in her honor may donate to the Gladys Ritchie Public Library; Concerned Citizens; Graceland Cemetery in Jermyn; or the charity of their choice

Tribute Wall



“ Lydia Loncar

October 09, 2023 at 04:16 AM



“ Lydia Loncar

January 28, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ Vickie, I never had the chance to met you but your mom was a great person! I will never forget the time on Christmas or before she always look for that box of candy that Pete Horton would give her before Christmas as times have gone on Pete has went to be with his Lord and savior just like your moms has! My brother (Mike Voyles) and my mom (Melba Horton Mower) would always see to it on Thanksgiving or Christmas that your mom would have a plate from our house! We will miss doing that but she will evermore remain in our hearts as yours! May God Bless You And your family! Always,Debbie King

DebbieKing - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ WITH SYMPATHY FROM MARVIN&SUE REYNOLDS.
SHE TAUGHT MY THREE CHILDREN TREY,DONDI AND TINA.
SHE WILL BE MISSED.

MARVIN REYNOLDS - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR MOTHER.
SHE WAS A WONDERFUL TEACHER. SHE TAUGHT BOTH OUR
CHILDREN (RODNEY & CATHY WADE.
MOST RECENTLY WE DELIVERED MEALS ON WHEELS TO
HER. SHE WAS A VERY NICE LADY AND WILL BE GREATLY
MISSED.
RESPECTFULLY
RONNIE AND BARBARA

RONNIE & BARBARA WADE - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RY

“ Ms. Loncar was my 8th grade English teacher...and she was one of
my favorites. I learned so much from her that prepared me for high
school and ultimately college. She really instilled the importance of
English... speaking it well...and sometimes even more
important...writing it well...so true, so true.

*When I saw her at the The Village People concert in Dallas in
1979...I knew she was different...she was cool!!*

*I got to see her about a year ago...she looked great...she didn't
remember me from the "who-knows-how-many-students-she's-had-
over-the-years"...but she remembered that concert! Priceless.*

*Ms. Loncar, rest in peace and have a great time in heaven...where
else would you go after having touched and influenced so many
young lives?*

Renee' Y-Y

Renee' Yarbrough-Yale - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CM

“*“Tweedles” Where do I begin? You were an amazing lady. You will sorely be missed. My Mom, however is glad to be seeing you. Now you both can be my Guardian Angels. I and my Family will be praying for your Family. Vicki, you know our Mothers were a couple of really “Special” Ladies that touched so many peoples lives in such a positive way.....and had a whole buch of fun doing it. They loved God,their families, and their jobs. When someone loves as much as they did, it stands to reason that, that love flowed over into everything, and everyone they touched.....Always, Cathy T. Mcanear, and Family*

Cathy Tilghman McAnear - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CD

“*We all loved Mrs. Loncar. What a great fun teacher. I was so sad to learn of her passing. She made going to school so much fun for all of us.*

The Loncar Family are in our prayers during this difficult time.

Cindy Slimp Dorman - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SH

“*I am so sorry to hear about Mrs. Loncar. She was my 5th grade teacher and prepared us for moving to Jr. High. Dianne and I both became teachers because of the influence of many of our Jacksboro teachers. Our prayers are with you at this time.*

*The Starr Family,
Sheila, Dianne, Ronnie & Kelly*

Sheila Starr Harrison - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I was so fortunate to have had Mrs. Loncar teach me, beginning in the summer of 1969 for the first of what was to be 3 consecutive summer reading courses, followed by a full year of her having been my home room teacher in both 5th and 8th grades. She was such an inspiration to me. She made learning so interesting because she had such a creative imagination and because she was so articulate, captivating and compelling in how she communicated the lessons of our textbooks and of life. I kept in touch with through the years, and always enjoyed receiving letters from her. She was a unique individual with whom I connected at an early age, and one whom I will dearly miss. Her legacy of teaching and inspiring generations of children will live on.

Randall Ramage - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ I enjoyed every visit I made to Mrs. Loncar. She was so bright and cheerful on most of my visits. She liked to reminisce about the days she taught my daughter Paula in middle school. I will miss seeing her, she was a wonderful lady.

Pauline Dunham - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ One of the best teachers I ever had. She was a good teacher, good person and she cared whether you learned in her class or not; the three essentials to being a good educator.

Harold Horton - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I was in Ms. Loncar's 5th grade class around 1966 in Jacksboro. She was such a wonderful teacher. I loved being her student. I remember she loved the Peanuts cartoon characters and was always drawing Snoopy on the chalkboard!
I was saddened to hear about Ms. Loncar's tragic passing. She will always live on in the memories of every student she touched.
God bless you Ms. Loncar!

Deborah Hale Strain - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Mrs Loncar was one of my favorite teachers. She was a good friend of my parents, Norma and Russel Jones. She was always having my dad come and speak to her classes. As a 5th grader that was not too cool. She made learning fun. Of course she made the whole school stop for the world series too..Go Dodgers!
I had many an interesting conversation with Lydia over the years while delivering meals on wheels to her. She would always remind me of things we did in class, my brother had done, or something about my parents. What a memory she had!
She will be missed...Russonna

Russonna Jones-Briscoe - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Dear Family,
I was deeply saddened by the news of Mrs. Loncar's death. She was so loved by all of her students. Her outstanding teaching and her influence on so many students will live on. I have many fond memories of Mrs. Loncar. She had a major impact on my life not just in elementary but also in High School. As a member of FTA I visited and taught in her class and she really encouraged me to get into education. My heartfelt sympathy to the family at this difficult time.

Jim T. Rumage

James T. Rumage - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ My favorite teacher in all the world. I remember so many wonderful things Ms. Loncar taught me. My life is better because of her.

Curtis Lane - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Mrs. Loncar was my 5th grade teacher, and one of my favorites! I used to really hate Friday's though because she made everyone stand around the room and have a spelling bee. It was really difficult to spell out loud and in front of all your classmates. It really made an impression on me for 40 some years later and I still remember those Fridays. I also took care of her Dad while he was in the nursing home. I was home for the summer from UT School of Nursing and needed a job. It was a really pleasant surprise to get to know her again as an adult. She was really very funny and so cute. She used to tell me that she knew which of her students would become successful by how well they did in the spelling bee and how they conducted themselves in front of the class. Here I was trying not to make a fool of myself and she was looking to the future success of her students. I guess it is all in the perception.

Cathleen Smith Poynor - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM