

Lynn Denise Fluter

JANUARY 6, 2021

It is with immense sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the sudden and unexpected passing of Lynn Denise Fluter on January 6, 2021.



Lynn was predeceased by her parents Bill and Betty and her brother Paul. Lynn is survived by her sister and best friend Carol; brother David (Gina); nieces and nephews Nicole (Jim), Jeff (Debbie), Brent, Josh, Darrin, Kim, Jane, Brandon (Shayla), Megan (Nathan), Hayden, Lucas and Cale; lastly her special great-great-nephew and niece Thomas and Mavis who brought her so much joy and happiness the last year and a half. Also left to mourn are many life-long and special friends that loved her too. She was an amazing lady!

Lynn was born on November 10, 1949, 3rd child to Bill and Betty. She grew up on the prairies and she loved and found beauty in the prairies every day of her life. She was so proud to be from Saskatchewan and she took great pride in making art to represent the prairies. Her favourite season was summer and she loved the sunrises and glorious sunsets. She also loved watching the prairie grasses and wheat fields blowing gently in the winds. Think of her every summer when you see beautiful, golden fields of wheat, as we all will. Lynn also loved working in her yard and planting flowers. She took great pleasure in her yard. It was her happy place, with the sun shining, birds singing, and surrounded by flowers.

As a teenager, Lynn was a playground supervisor, it helped support her as she put herself through the University of Regina. She often reminisced about her fond memories from the summers at the playgrounds and the people she met there.

Lynn worked hard and obtained two degrees and taught for 33 years with the Regina Public Schoolboard. Teaching was her passion and she loved it and she found her true calling. She treated children with kindness, fairness and respect.

Lynn loved to travel, taking road trips with her mom and sister to the States or Alberta and British Columbia. Lynn and Carol went to several destination holidays and enjoyed quite a few cruises. In 2015, they did a "Bucket List" trip to Europe and toured a few countries. She loved Italy and talked about its beauty all the time. Some of her favourite adventures were trips down to good old Minot, North Dakota. Every trip had a funny and memorable story. The last few years, she just enjoyed getting away and having family bonding time and making sure she got taken to The Big K (Kmart) so that she could remind us about past trips.

Lynn LOVED animals, from little bunnies, to squirrels, all the prairie birds and robins and various other birds that came to her yard. Most of all she loved dogs. There isn't a dog she ever met that she didn't want to pet or love.

Lynn loved to paint and make crafts from pictures to wreathes, to planks. She also loved to cook and bake for her family and friends and her specialty was cakes and cupcakes. She loved to decorate them and have themes. I am sure everyone she knows has had a cake made for them from her. She also loved to host brunches, lunches, Mad Tea Parties and Mystery Dinners for her family and friends. She loved the Riders and may not have always understood what was going on but she cheered her heart out with the rest of us and bled green too.

Lynn could be gullible which made her trusting and susceptible to "pranks" and "Tall Tales". We have so many family stories that we refer to as "Lynnies Tales" and they have brought hours and hours of laughter with the retelling of these tales. She always laughed along with us (most of the time). Some honourable mentions include a stuffed beaver, turning her sister's blouse into a Dickie Collar, joy riding as a teenager down Albert Street and Wascana Park in her Studebaker with the

gang, and forgetting her purses, keys and shoes at various restaurants, stores and houses BUT always getting everything back intact. All these funny stories and memories will be retold and retold and Lynn will forever be remembered and loved by her family.

Lynn was a genuine person with the biggest heart. She had a heart of gold and would help anyone. She was kind, giving and generous to all her family and friends. She loved her family so much and was so loyal to everyone. She always wanted the best for her family. She had the strongest bond with her sister Carol and they were inseparable. They were sisters by chance but best friends by choice. She never had children of her own but she considered us her kids too. Every child deserves to have and be loved by an Auntie Lynn. To be loved by such a lovely person is such an incredible honour. We will miss her at every family function, holiday, Sunday supper, even sad times, it will not be the same without her. We will go forward and live for her which is what she would want us to do. Lynn touched many lives, some in small ways and some in grand ones. She loved life and was grateful for hers and never took it for granted. She lived a beautiful life and was a beautiful, good person. RIP dear Auntie Lynn.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Regina Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund, as both her parents were veterans.

At Lynn's request, there will be no funeral service.

Thank you to Brent Metz at Alternatives Funeral & Cremation Services for handling the cremation and for support at this time on behalf of her family.

Messages of Condolence

Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Lynn was a beautiful person. We all feel so blessed to have known her and she will be deeply missed.

— **Nicole, Trevor, Samantha & Grace Dech**

Dear Carol, David and Families,

Much sympathy on the death of your dear Lynn. I know how kind she was through my Mom Marilyn. She baked many a delicious cake for us for sure and even cooked for my kids at Kitchener School! So sorry for your loss. She was a very special lady.

— **Tracy Johnson and Family**

What a beautiful Memorial to Cousin Lynne. So sorry for your loss. I've loved reading & getting to know more about my Canadian family & friends (mainly through Fb?)

— **Tracy Tanner**

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Fond memories will help get you through this difficult time.

— **Penelope Ulmer**

So sorry for your family loss, I have heard about Lynn while working with Gina

— **Lolita Vansteelandt**

I am so very saddened to hear that Lynn has passed. Lynn and I taught together for many years at Henry Braun School. She was also my son's grade 4 teacher and I taught her niece and nephew, Megan and Brandon, whom she absolutely adored. Lynn had a heart of gold, impacted many lives and was a lovely human being. □ Your work here on Earth is done, Lynn. May God have a special job for you so you can continue to help others as you were always so happy on Earth while lending a hand.

Rest In Peace, Lynn. You will be greatly missed.

— **Debbie Penner**

Ms. Fluter taught me grade 4, and it is so crazy that you mention her love of the prairies, because one of the main assignments I remember from her class was having to write a fictional story about being a settler on the Saskatchewan prairies. Our own version of "Little House on the Prairies" if you will. I kept my story and drawings and have brought them to my own school to show my students, as I am now a grade 1/2 teacher. During my grade 4 year, she took on an intern and I now know what type of dedication to the profession that it can require. She was a great teacher, and I'm so sorry to hear about her loss.

Danielle

— **Danielle Maley**

Our deepest condolences to Lynn's family and friends. She was such a kind woman and we are honoured to have known her.

— **The Cherewaykos**

Lynn was a beautiful, generous, kind person. May she Rest In Peace.

— **Ingrid Riffel**

I am sincerely sorry to hear of Lynn's passing. She was a true friend . I am so thankful that on several occasions since I retired, she and Carol visited with me in Vancouver . I send my heartfelt condolences to Lynn's family .

— **Garnet Russell**

I'm so very sorry to hear of Lynn's passing. My deepest condolences to her family and all who knew and loved her. She will be missed by the many whose lives she touched in such a positive way. Well done, Lynn, and thank you for being a bright light in our world. ♥

— **Linda Sawatzky**

Our son, Scott Johnston was fortunate enough to be in Miss Fluter's Grade 4 class at Ruth M. Buck school in 1979. She was simply the best teacher ever! His obsession with astronomy compelled her to hand over the teaching of planets to Scott and she had him come back to do a presentation the next couple of years. The science experiment that resulted in a small fire was going to be included in "Chapter 11 Scott Johnston" of her yet to be written book when she retired. Sadly we lost Scott this summer. We were so touched to see a tribute from Lynn Fluter on his memorial page letting us know that she remembered a student 40 years later with as much admiration as he felt for her. She was a lovely person and had a profound influence on so many students.

— **Bonnie Johnston**

Holy Child Parish was fortunate to have Marilyn Morrison's friend Lyn generously donate her delicious homemade soups for our bazaars for many years. We all enjoyed her wonderful soup and looked forward to seeing her when she dropped in to support our functions. We have also heard much about this wonderful teacher from families at Henry Braun school. She was a great gift to so many people!! Take care and be assured of our prayers for all who hold her memory in their hearts!!

— **Marian Grady**

We have great memories of Lynn and Carol when they came to Arizona to visit Dave and Gina. Lynn was creative, fun and generous. We are honored to have been gifted with her original art work, Prairie Peace. RIP Lynn. You touched many lives!

— **Pat and Dennis Ramsey**

I taught with Lynn at Henry Braun School for a number of years. She was a lovely person and very proud to be a teacher. Her family was the center of her world and she was so proud of each and every one of them. Lynn will be missed by so many. My sincere condolences to her family.

— **Heather Josephson**

So very sorry to learn of your great loss. Lynn was, indeed, a beautiful and good person. Your obituary says it all.

— **Joan Sandomirsky**

I have many fond memories of Lynne from our elementary years at Strathcona School. She was a fine baseball player! My deepest sympathy is extended to all her family and friends.

Colleen (Knight) Kembel

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My prayers and condolences go out to the entire family! Lynn was such a kind-hearted spirit who I had the privilege of working with, while at Braun. She was generous, devoted, and caring! She touched many lives and will be missed!

— **Michelle Askew**

Dear Carol, David and Family,

I am so shocked and saddened to learn of Lynn's passing. In the 1980's, I taught with Lynn at Ruth M. Buck School where she was a kind, positive, fun presence in our school (that laugh!) and a valued member of our "Buck Family". Lynn was on the Staff Social Committee each year, and I used to give her a hard time about her contributing cool ideas in planning staff socials, and making the sign-up posters for them, and then opting to not actually attend many of these events herself. (I can still hear her reply in mock annoyance, "Don't bug me!") We experienced first-hand Lynn as "the hostess-with-the-mostess" when she hosted our large staff in her home on at least one occasion; great fun! I was reminded of what a close-knit family you are as I read her obituary which so lovingly honours her memory. It comes as no surprise to me that Lynn declined having a funeral; I recall she preferred the background, not the limelight. Please accept my warmest condolences in losing your sister and your Auntie.

Linda Mack ("Walsh")

— **Linda Mack**

My deepest sympathy to all Lynn's Family. She will be greatly missed. What a beautiful, caring and loving person she was. It was a honour to be her friend. This is heaven's gain and our loss. Hugs to all her family.

— **Pat Bailey**

My deepest condolences to the family. Lynn had taught me in grade 4 at Stewart Russell School, and she was the kindest, most caring woman I had ever met. She was a woman who taught respect, and empathy, something that isn't taught today. I'm so sorry to hear of her passing. May you find peace in your heart during this hard time, and remember the good times.

— **Jamie Focht**

Our deepest condolences to you all at this sad time. Sending love from Wales.
Gez, Carol, Kavita and Aiden xx

— **Geraint Roberts**

Dearest Carol and family ...so very sorry to read of Lynn's passing .I had the greatest pleasure of knowing her in our young and crazy days knowing you Carol and then being introduced to your amazing sister I will never forget the many memories of her and she is always in my heart. We had may good chats at school and beyond. She always had that big smile and a great happy laugh. She shone. We always seemed to run into each other as the years passed by. my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time I will miss her. I will treasure the memories and she will never be forgotten.

— **janet benesh (beanlands)**

I was so very sad to hear about Lynn. She was a wonderful and caring colleague/friend who had a great sense of humour. Fun class trips/activities were planned with Lynn. She will be missed by many....☐

To Lynn's family ...I hope all your special memories help you during this most difficult time ...

— **Jill Ready**

Lynnie, now that you're in heaven, you can smoke that FATTY! I will never forget your friendship, cooking, and especially all the laughs. Love you

Mary T

— **Mary Trombley**

It is with a heavy heart that I pass on my deepest condolences to Lynn's family on her unexpected passing. I too taught with Lynn at Ruth M Buck and Linda has summed it up beautifully what we all thought of our dear colleague Lynn. I have so so many stories about those approximately ten years we taught together I could write a book..she was special..kids loved her..parents loved her..staff loved her..we had fun everyday. After this pandemic is behind us it would be my honour to host a Lynn get together where we could reminisce about the good old days..(I can hear her in my head saying I'll get right on that!) Sad times, Rest In Peace my dear friend.

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My Deepest Condolences to the family, especially Carol, I am so sorry for your loss, Lynn was such a special person to me and everyone, when I was growing up back in Regina. I have a couple very special memories with Lynn that I treasure and still think of very fondly. She was the one that taught me how to drive, she was patient, but very firm when we were in the car. I remember not signalling while changing lanes and was quickly corrected that you always let the other drivers know what your intentions are, I use the same lessons she taught me when I would teach others how to drive.

Like most young people, I had some tough times growing up in Regina, I remember eating muffins in her kitchen while she hemmed my jeans and had a very friendly conversation with me about how its perfectly normal to be different, no matter how different you feel, there were lots of people out there that are different as well and that I was not alone even though I may feel like I was. She said that not everyone will like you, but that was their issue, not mine, and there would be many people that do like me. I didn't realize it at the time, but She knew that I was gay, even though I didn't, and that was her way of letting me know that its going to be okay, that I was normal even though I may have some tough times ahead. I moved away from Regina many years ago and I don't have many regrets, but one was that she maybe didn't know that my life turned out quite well and when I did have some dark days, her kind words from her and Carol as well would remind me to just carry on, it will get better, and it did. Thank you Lynn, you were a great positive influence in my life, as well as Carol and David. It's surprising how some kind words and support can make a great difference in others lives that you may not realize, and from reading the other notes, Lynn was a kind, loving, positive heart in many, many lives. No one is ever really gone when you can keep them in your hearts and memories, and that will definitely be the case with Lynn. Thank you for the driving lessons, you made me a better person. Barry

— **Barry Hayes**

My deepest sympathy to all,

I have so many great memories of Lynn during my time growing up in Regina, many which have been mentioned. Some of my favourites were summer time with her at Wascana Park while she was working there, hot summer nights cruising in her Stud to the A@W running out of gas laughing while pushing it into the lot and hoping no one was aware:

The "31" card games went on as long as we had nickels to lose.

Trips to Regina Beach for Butlers fish and chips talking and laughing all the way.

I always felt loved while in her company.

Thank you cousin Lynn for being a great example for all.

Love cousin Chris

— Chris Fluter

I was thinking today about people who made an impact on my life and immediately remembered Miss Fluter. I was sad to hear of her passing but remember her for being such a wonderful, influential woman. She was my grade 4 teacher at Ruth M. Buck followed by Ms. P (Clover Duperreault). The wonderful staff at my elementary school definitely made an impact. I remember walking the halls and hearing roaring laughter coming from the staff room, guaranteed Miss Fluter was at the center of all that happiness. She will be missed by not only me but every student she taught. She was a precious gift to all who knew her.

— Michelle



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