



Luleen Anderson

December 13, 1933 - August 19, 2022

Dr. Luleen Sandefur Anderson of Wilmington, NC passed away on August 19, 2022.

Born in 1933, Luleen was the eighth of nine children and grew up in the small farming community of Roberta, GA. As a child of the depression, she understood the value of community, hard work, and sharing with others. After graduating from Crawford County High School (in the first class required to attend 12th grade,) Luleen enrolled in Wesleyan College on scholarship, where she earned a degree in Psychology and the title of Miss Wesleyan 1958. She went on to earn her Master's from Emory University and Ph.D. from Boston University.

A practicing clinical psychologist for 50 years, Luleen served as Coordinator of Psychological Services and Head of Elementary Guidance for the Quincy, MA Public Schools. She also held her own private counseling practices both in Massachusetts and Wilmington, NC and taught collegiate level courses. She was one of the best in her field and was highly respected by both her colleagues and clients.

Luleen was a gifted storyteller and lover of the written word. She published four books, wrote numerous articles for professional journals, and was a frequent contributor to local newspapers and magazines such as WILMA. Never judging and with enormous wit, she told stories of everyday people living everyday lives. She modeled for us the Knack of a Happy Life, which was the title of one of her books.

In 1991, Luleen moved to Wilmington where she quickly became an integral part of the fellowship at Church of the Servant Episcopal Church and spent many years and hours supporting the Bargain Box outreach ministry. Through the church, Luleen found an amazing group of women who became her cherished friends. The family is grateful for the love and support of this group. Luleen is survived by her son Eric Anderson of Raleigh, NC; sister Gloria Cox of Macon, GA; nieces Carroll Coyle (Gary) of Albany, GA, Lee Boone (Joe) of Irwinton, GA, Deborah Spearman (Frank) of Ft. Valley, GA and Mitzi Schrimsher (Tommy) of Huntsville, AL; and godchildren Nathan Finnin (Kaitlin) of Kill Devil Hills, NC and Janie Finnin of Boone, NC. She also will be remembered by her many loved friends and colleagues.

The Rev. Jody Greenwood and The Rev. Nathan Finnin will co-officiate a Memorial Service on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 11 a.m., at Church of the Servant, 4925 Oriole Drive, Wilmington with a reception afterward at the church.

Contributions in Luleen's memory may be made to Wesleyan College or to Church of the Servant Outreach Ministries or Lower Cape Fear Life Care

Tribute Wall

AF

“ I had the honor of providing home care assistance to Ms. Luleen in 2021 for a few months. I enjoyed spending time with her and talking with her. Will remember her fondly.

April Fekete - May 27, 2023 at 05:58 PM

MZ

“ I am just now realizing about Luleen's passing . She was an AMAZING woman! She shared with me once a passage of comfort with the loss of a loved one. Here is what she shared:
For a Time of Sorrow:

"For a Time of Sorrow

I share with you the agony of your grief.

The anguish of your heart finds echo in my own.

I know I cannot enter all you feel

Nor bear with you the burden of your pain;

I can but offer what my love does give:

The strength of caring,

The warmth of one who seeks to understand

The silent storm-swept barrenness of so great a loss.

This I do in quiet ways,

That on your lonely path

You many not walk alone."

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Michelle Zumbro - February 15, 2023 at 07:18 PM

DG

“ I am the son of one of Luleen's clients, Stella Guenzel. Luleen was beyond amazing in her practice helping her patients through difficult times and on to living more fulfilling lives. All my gratitude goes out to her friends family friends and community she was a part of.

David Guenzrl - November 16, 2022 at 10:53 PM

PD

“ Dear Eric,
I was so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a friend and colleague to me for many years. What a gifted psychologist she was to us in the Quincy Public Schools for so many years. She helped children and families and will always be remembered for her caring and expertise.
Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Patricia DelVal - September 02, 2022 at 10:06 AM

ER

“ Eric,
I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was a remarkable woman and someone who I admired and respected during my years as a teacher in Quincy. Her lectures to the teachers and parents were so informative and helpful. My sympathies to you.
Fondly,
Your former teacher,
Elaine Lemelin Ravelson

Elaine Lemelin Ravelson - August 25, 2022 at 08:23 AM

KB

“ I took care of Ms. Luleen for 2 yrs. She was such a joy. She inspired me in many ways. Ms. Luleen was a person that put others before herself. We had many laughs together. She made me feel at home, and I felt at home not at work.

I will dearly miss her, and never forget her. She made me smile every day even tho she was hurting. Now she's not hurting and she's in a better place. God bless her for she was a great person.

Kathryn Bernard - August 23, 2022 at 03:38 PM

WB

“ Ms.Anderson was a great lady , I am so blessed to get to know her. She always knew how to make you laugh , she told some great jokes and stories. Praying for Eric and family.

Wendy Benson - August 23, 2022 at 12:09 PM

RW

“ I will miss you my sweet, caring, and kind neighbor. Sending sincere condolences to Eric and the family.

Rita Whaley - August 23, 2022 at 09:40 AM

DP

“ To Aunt Luleen's Family,
I am sorry I am not able to be there. I pray for comfort and peace that only comes through God. What a remarkable woman to so many!!! Our loss ,but Heavens gain. Love to you all, Dawn
(Carroll's Daughter) ❤️

Dawn Powell-Risener - August 22, 2022 at 09:39 PM

LT

“ *GOD rest this beautiful soul. Her memory will live on through her written words and good deeds. My sincere condolences to all family and friends*

Liz Thomas - August 22, 2022 at 04:22 PM