



Merrilee Lubshina

March 11, 1949 - June 24, 2021

Merrilee Lubshina, 72, of Aurora, passed away Thursday, June 24, 2021, at AMITA Mercy Medical Center in Aurora, surrounded by her family. She was born March 11, 1949, in Ottawa, Illinois, to Truman and Betty (Breitenkamp) Meling. She married Gerald Lubshina on July 11, 1970, at St. Columba Church in Ottawa.

Merrilee was a beloved wife and mother and will be greatly missed by her family. She was a certified dental assistant and had worked for various dentists in the Aurora area. Prior to this, she attended Ottawa Public Schools and graduated from Ottawa Township High School in 1967. She briefly attended the University of Illinois; later, she attended Waubensee Community College studying cultural anthropology and loved her experience studying at a field school in Mérida, Mexico.

Merrilee was baptized and raised in the Evangelical United Brethren Church until she converted to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at age 18.

Merrilee had a beautiful voice, and enjoyed singing in her high school choir and in a music group in Wyoming. She also enjoyed gardening, reading sci-fi and mystery novels, as well as listening to her favorite artist John Denver.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Gloria Mason.

Survivors include her husband of more than 50 years, Gerald; four children: Stephanie Lubshina of Arlington Heights, Melanie (Bill) Boehmer of Palatine,

David Lubshina of Aurora, and Marie Lubshina of Batavia; two grandchildren: Dakota Boehmer and Joshua Boehmer; three brothers: Gary (Joyce) Meling of Sheridan, Wyo., David (Judy) Meling of Ottawa, Ill., and Robert (Ann) Meling of Tuscon, Ariz.; also, many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial visitation will be held Saturday, July 10, from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. at The Daleiden Mortuary, 220 N. Lake St, Aurora, IL, 60506. 630-631-5500. A memorial service will follow at 4:00 p.m. at The Daleiden Mortuary. Inurnment of cremains will be at Oakwood Cemetery in Ottawa, Illinois, at a later date. The family has designated the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry for memorial contributions.

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm truly sorry for your loss and I send my deepest condolences*

July 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sent with love and remembrance,*

Sweet Tranquility Basket - July 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr Lubshina, you were my history teacher at East high school. I later met Merrilee at my church. She was so kind to me. When I knew her, the girls were so young. I pray that your family find peace in knowing she is happy.*

July 04, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Gerald and Family Merrilee will truly be missed our thoughts and prayers are with you all Dr. Myong and staff Rush Copley*

July 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the Lubshina family. May she Rest In Peace 🙏*

July 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Lubshina family. With love cousins Bobbi & Red*

Peaceful White Lilies Basket - June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Stephanie, I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. I know your faith and family will get you through. Your friend, Denise

June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Momma Lubshina! I will miss you! You took such great care of everyone who entered your home. That included me! Love, Jen Breese

June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ We would like to express our deepest sympathies with the Lubshina family.

June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Remember the good times.

June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ I never met Merilee in person but I always heard about her generosity to her neighbor and friends. Gerry, May you and your family be at peace and bask in the wonderful memories you all have of Merilee

June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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in memory of Merrilee Lubshina*



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“ *Crucifix lit a candle in memory of Merrilee
Lubshina*



Crucifix - June 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM