



Priscilla J. Lovell

December 7, 1940 - December 11, 2020

Priscilla Jean Darby Lovell passed away peacefully on December 11, 2020 in her home at Riverwoods Plantation, Estero, Florida at age 80.

Priscilla was born in Oak Park, Illinois on December 7, 1940 to George Hess Darby and Elizabeth Florence Hancock Darby. She graduated from Oak Park-River Forest High School in 1958 where she met the love of her life of 58 years, James Peter Lovell. She graduated from Northern Illinois University in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science in Education. She married Peter on August 18, 1962 and moved to Durham, North Carolina where she taught.

Priscilla was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend to everyone that she knew. She was known as “the Happy Lady” because of the twinkle in her eyes, the smile on her lips, her wonderful hospitality, her positive attitude, her loving acceptance and willingness to help others. She lived out her faith by loving others well. She loved to travel, scrapbook, have ice cream any time of day, and spend time in the sun. She always remembered birthdays and anniversaries with a short hand-written note and shared homemade candied pecans.

She was a homemaker and mother for a number of years and then she was an Administrative Assistant to Presidents of two great companies, Basic Metal Processing and, Baur Plastics; a Human Resource Benefit Coordinator for United Airlines, a Field Representative for the American Cancer Society, a Creative Memories Consultant, and an outstanding Pastor’s Wife. She lived in Durham, North Carolina; Oak Park, River Forest, Apple River, Cicero, Arlington Heights, Elk Grove Village, Schaumburg, New Lenox, Rockford, and Putnam, Illinois; and Estero, Florida.

At each church she enjoyed serving in a variety of ways but especially singing in the choir and Pastors Wives’ Chorus. In her retirement she was involved in many ways at Lake Thunderbird, Illinois, and Riverwoods Plantation, Estero, Florida. She was a member of P.E.O. and other philanthropic organizations.

Priscilla will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts. She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her loving husband Peter; her daughters Jeanne (Joseph) Kircher of Gurnee, IL; Valerie (Timothy) Brinkman of McKinney, TX; her son Harry (Karrie) Anderson of Beverly Hills, FL; and 9 beautiful grandchildren – Julie, Ryan, Eric, and Andrew Brinkman; John and Peter James Kircher; Valerie Jean, Mary, and Riley Anderson; and great-grandchild Wyatt Daniel Anderson. She is also survived by her sister Judith (Ronald) Frischman and brother George (Marilyn) Darby and their families.

An Internment will be held privately. In addition, a Celebration of her Life for all will be held at a later date in New Lenox, Illinois, when health restrictions will allow us to hug one another as Priscilla loved to hug us.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation, American Cancer Society, or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Comments



“ She was always so pleasant with that smile and a good attitude. She was grateful while being happy in her life. She found true joy in giving in which we all find true joy. She will be dearly missed by all.

Barbara Drabek-Doyle - December 23, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ Jim and I were so sorry to hear of Priscilla's passing. She was one of the kindest people we have ever met and we have fond memories of her welcoming smiles and vivacious spirit during our times at Lake Thunderbird. Our condolences to Peter and her family.

Kathy and Jim DeFavero

Kathy DeFavero - December 20, 2020 at 02:37 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. I'll remember Priscilla for her lively smile and genuine warmth she always shared with us.
Laural Huisman, Gene Brown

laural - December 18, 2020 at 11:07 PM



“ Priscilla's love of her faith, family, friends and others showed through the many kind and caring things she found to say and do. Years ago, when we hardly knew her, she found out about my husband's stent placement heart surgery and she surprised me by coming to the hospital waiting room to sit with me until he was out of recovery- somehow she knew how worried I was. It's a memory I'll never forget. She was one special lady in so many ways! We'll miss her!
Our heartfelt sympathy to Peter and the family and to Judy & Ron

Connie Shaw - December 18, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ I am deeply saddened to hear of this. I knew Pricilla and Peter from my home church in New Lenox. Pricilla was a beautiful, inspiring and compassionate lady. She always had a smile and a hug to share. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. May she rest in the comfort of Gods loving arms. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.

Rose Hatalla - December 17, 2020 at 08:02 PM



“ Our love and sympathy to Peter and the family. Priscilla always made you feel welcome and well cared for. Priscilla was a beautiful wife and mother, daughter and friend and we have been blessed to know this wonderful family. Peter, may the many awesome memories you have of Priscilla keep you feeling the warmth of her love for her family and all those who met her. We love you all. Kate and Bill

kate Johnson - December 17, 2020 at 06:23 PM



“ It is not easy when we lose our mate but God has not forgotten us and continues to ride along to give us strength and encouragement for whatever lies ahead.

Orville Brown

Orville E Brown - December 17, 2020 at 03:56 PM



“ Our deepest sympathies, she was truly a great lady! Very kind and welcoming. We got to know her through the Hennepin United Methodist Church and our Aunt Linda and Uncle Gene. She was so inclusive to us, and loved seeing our boys. She was truly a bright light in this darkening world. Peter our prayers are with you and your family. Prayers for peace, and knowing that you have one heck of a guardian angel looking over you.

With great love and sympathy

Tom, Rebecca, Daric and Callen Wiesbrock

Rebecca Wiesbrock - December 17, 2020 at 11:28 AM



“ I will miss Priscilla's beautiful smile and kind and loving nature. Priscilla was always willing to volunteer and help and was an active member of our community. She leaves behind so many who loved her. We rest easy knowing you are in a better place. My prayers go out to her wonderful family, in particular her sister Judy and to her husband Peter. I know her many friends in Riverwoods will surround Peter and Judy with love and support!

Rachel Miller - December 17, 2020 at 10:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Priscilla J. Lovell.



December 17, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ For all who knew Priscilla, this is a time to celebrate a strong woman of faith, who lived a life of acceptance and love. At the same time I am saddened by her passing, but even more so for the wonderful husband and family she leaves behind. Love and prayers to you J. Peter and your vast family of love. Don Guest

Dr Donald F Guest - December 17, 2020 at 01:10 AM



“ Priscilla was one of the sunshiniest people we have ever known. We will miss her. Love you all.
The Gudemans

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“ Priscilla was everything that this says. We have so many fond memories! Our love and sympathy to Peter and family!

Martha Baur - December 16, 2020 at 11:25 PM