



Leola Garriott

May 6, 2003

"Dr. Leola Garriott"

KINGSFORD - Dr. Leola Mae (Schmidt) Garriott, 81, of Kingsford, died Tuesday, May 6, 2003, at Manor Care Health Services in Kingsford.

She was born March 10, 1922, in Hortonville, Wis., daughter of the late Arthur R. and Alma (Diestler) Schmidt. Leola graduated from Hortonville High School as the valedictorian of her class in 1940. She then graduated from the Lincoln Chiropractic College in Indianapolis, Ind., where she obtained her doctor of chiropractic degree. She married George A. Garriott on Sept. 29, 1940, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1999. The couple moved from Hortonville to Sun Lakes, Ariz. in 1984 and then moved from Arizona to Kingsford in 1996. Leola was a chiropractor in Hortonville for 35 years. She was also a church organist for more than 50 years, serving congregations in Hortonville, Appleton, Dale, and New London in Wisconsin and Sun Lakes, Ariz. Leola was past president of Bethlehem Lutheran Ladies Aid in Hortonville, the Hortonville Women's Club, Appleton Chapter of Valparasio Guild, Women of First English Lutheran Church and former secretary of First English Church in Appleton, card ministry of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain, where she was currently a member.

She is survived by a daughter, Grace (Mark) Flunker and their children, Ryan and Kari of Florence, Wis.; three sons, Dr. Gary Garriott (Valerie Lamont) and their children, Omar, Khalil, Kristofer and Ashton of Panama City, Panama, Gale (Ann) Garriott and their children, Alexander and Andrew of Scottsdale,

Ariz., and Grant (Kathleen) Garriott of Minnetonka, Minn.; a sister, Eleanore (Victor) Schmit and niece, Corryn Schulz of Hortonville, Wis.; four sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law, Iva Garriott of Joplin, Mo., Hagar (Marie) Garriott of Scottsburg, Ind., Eileene Garriott of Salem, Ind., and Elbert (Myrtle) Strain of Lafayette, Inc.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George Garriott and a niece, Sandra June Schmit.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 17 at 2:30 p.m. at Borchardt and Moder Funeral Home in Hortonville, Wis. Pastor Stephen Cowen will officiate. Burial will be in the Hortonville Union Cemetery in Hortonville.

Condolences may be expressed to the Garriott family online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain has been entrusted with local arrangements.

Tribute Wall

TF

“ To Grant and family - We hope our thoughts and prayers will offer you comfort at this most difficult time.

The Fallone's in lower Michigan

Tony & Maggie Fallone - May 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ I worked with Grant at Honeywell and when we were on work travel we would talk about our families. Grant's mother always seemed to me to be a woman ahead of her time with her profession as well as her family. The stories Grant would tell about growing up and his family especially his mother were really fun. In this way the person is always there in spirit. It is always hard to lose a life and it never really goes away but the memories are there.

Anne Widtfeldt - May 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ I would like to send sincere condolences from the Canadian Garriotts. I never had the pleasure of meeting your mother but my short association with Grant and Kathy leads me to great confidence that she is today with a great line of Garriott ancestors to which we owe more than we can ever repay. Our Prayers are with you.

Gary Petersen - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ My deepest condolences to Grant and Kathy and the family. As we know the most precious gifts aren't things...but our family and friends. I've cherished our friendship as it has grown over the years as we've shared joys and sorrows. As you go through this difficult time of letting go of your precious mother, please know - my dear friends -- that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Be still and know that I am God...Psalm 46:10

Nancy Anderson - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ My wife Mary Sue and I know Grant and Kathy through a friendship that developed while working at Honeywell. We were very saddened to learn about your loss. May God be with all of you during this time, and may you be comforted by all of the warm and loving memories of Leola. Our thoughts are with you and all of your family.

Phil Dreyer - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I am a co-worker of Grant's at United HealthGroup. I recently lost my mother-in-law and now know, what a deep loss this can be. Based on what a great and kind person that Grant is I am sure that it is directly related to the wonderful person that his Mother was. I am so sorry for your loss. Tamara Curry

Tamara Curry - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ To the Garriott family: I am very sorry for your loss of your wonderful mother. Although I met Mrs. Garriott only once - at Grant's wedding- I know she must have been a terrific person to raise such a fine family. You are all in my prayers as you mourn the passing of family. Joy Heideman

Joy Heideman - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ I am a co-worker of Grant's at UnitedHealth Group. Unfortunately, I recently experienced the loss of my mother so I know only too well what it's like to lose a parent. My deepest condolences to all your family. My prayers are with you.

Fiona McIntosh - May 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I came to know Mrs. Garriott at a time in my life when I needed her strong influence. Grant invited me to stay at his house for the summer before we both joined the service. Together we worked in the Hortonville toy factory. That summer we tried our hardest to be radical lads, and did our best to be antidisestablishmentarianists, but Mrs. Garriott just would not let go. She was in our face all the time. We didn't like it at the time, but I later came to understand her influence on my life as very valuable. She helped straighten me out.

*A visitor from heaven
If only for awhile
A gift of love to be returned
We think of you and smile
A visitor from heaven
Accompanied by grace
Reminding of a better love
And of a better place
With aching hearts and empty arms
We send you with a name
It hurts so much to let you go
But we're so glad you came
We're so glad you came*

*A visitor from heaven
If only for a day
We thank Him for the time He gave
And now it's time to say
We trust you to the Fathers love
And to His tender care
Held in the everlasting arms
And we're so glad you're there
We're so glad you're there*

*With breaking hearts and open hands
We send you with a name
It hurts so much to let you go*

*But we're so glad you came
We're so glad you came*

*I'm so glad you came.
Scott*

Scott Sowders - May 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SQ

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family of Dr. Garriott.
God bless her family and friends.*

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RF

“ *Dear Grace, Gary, Gale, Grant and families, Our deepest sympathy to you and any other members of Leola's family. As you are gathered together in Hortonville for her funeral on Saturday afternoon, we rejoice in her faith in God and Jesus that assures her of eternal life. God Bless you all.*

Rev. Dr. Harold and Louise Faust - May 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Leola was a very close friend and professional colleague of ours. She was a really special person,so talented,a gourmet cook, musician, and a fantastic mother. We cherished the many times we spent together with Leola and George, at Big Sandy Lake and their visits with us when they lived in Arizona. She was a true Christian and with the Lord now. Our Love and prayers to the family. From Russ & Joyce Geiger*

Russ & Joyce Geiger - May 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MH

“*"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven." Leola, I knew you through your son, Grant. Through his eyes and his actions, I see and know you. I know Grant from Honeywell, and he is a good friend and confidant. As a parent myself, I can say that when I look at my child, and my grand child, I know I will leave a part of me behind when I enter heaven some day. May you find comfort in knowing that caring thoughts and deepest sympathy are with your family at this time. Michele & Russ Hellstern*

Michele Hellstern - May 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BL

“*I worked with Grant at Honeywell and want to offer my sincere condolences to the entire family, but especially to Grant and Kathy. I know it's not easy losing a parent. You are in my thoughts, Barb*

Barb Lind - May 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

OM

“*Thank you to my brother Khalil for sending his condolences and I wish to briefly do the same. I'm still hoping on being at the services this weekend, but circumstances might preclude that from happening. I just wanted to say that I have very fond memories of Grandma, and those will collectively form the enduring image I have of her forever. It's important not to remember how much pain and suffering she had to go through in the final years of her life--she lived most of her days as a loving, kind, caring, and happy soul. We should all take comfort in knowing she's in a better place, reunited with Grandpa G., and that her pain is no more...All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Love, Grandma G.'s first grandson, Omar

Omar - May 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I am one of the many grandchildren in the Garriott family who is lucky enough to say that she was our Grandma. Even though distance separated us physically and we didn't get to see each other regularly, I know she was always there for me if I needed her. The entire family is in my prayers, but knowing that she is in much less pain somewhere else is relieving. Love, Khalil

Khalil - May 10, 2003 at 12:00 AM