



Jill Lueking

September 14, 1948 - February 16, 2022

Lueking, Jill, of Kirkwood, Missouri, was born September 14, 1948, in New Albany, Indiana, to Jack Orin and Audrey Jeanne (nee; Salyards) Park, and peacefully passed away Wednesday, February, 16, 2022, at the age of 73 years.

She is preceded in death by, her parents, Jack and Jeanne Park; her sister-in-law, Jane Schneider (nee; Lueking); and nephew, Chase Brumm (son of Jane).

She is survived by her dear husband of 47 years, Lew; children Heidi and Nick; brother, Jack Park; sister, Joan Park; sister-in-law, Karen Parsons (Chuck); brother-in-law, Fred Schneider; nieces, Krista, Karlyn, Katey, Georgia, Amy and step-nephew, Brett; along with numerous extended family and friends.

Jill graduated from New Albany High School in 1966, earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education at the University of Evansville, and a master's degree at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

In 1970, Jill moved to St. Louis, MO, and lived at Spanish Trace Apartments in Maryland Heights. It was there that she met her husband, Lew Lueking, and married in 1975. They then moved to Kirkwood, MO, where they have resided

for 46 years, raising their two children who attended Kirkwood schools.

She taught first grade for eight years at Long School in the Lindbergh School District. She then left teaching to raise a family but returned to complete her career at Crestwood Elementary School. She was known for her work ethic as an educator, as well as her dedication, caring, and empathy for her students and their families. Her smile and laughter were ever present. She served on many committees and teams, always striving to do her best.

With Jill's love for the outdoors, she spent countless hours tending to her gardens and maintaining numerous birdfeeders. She and her husband Lew were frequent visitors to Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center, Simpson Lake Park, the St. Louis Zoo, Shaw Nature Reserve, and the Missouri Botanical Garden, of which she was a long-time member. Canoeing on local Steelville, MO rivers was a favorite activity of Jill and her family.

She was an avid bridge player, had been president of the Kirkwood Women's Tennis Association, delighted in making recipes from scratch, and loved decorating her home with Early American antiques.

Of all her accomplishments, it was her family in which she took the most pride. She was a dedicated, nurturing mother, and a devoted wife. She will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Services: A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, May 22 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at Kirkwood Park in the Campbell Pavilion (located on Amphitheatre Dr. off the W. Adams & Playground Dr. park entrance). Memorial gifts can be made in her honor to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, The Missouri Botanical Garden or a Cancer research organization of your choice.

Family and friends can share stories, photos, and condolences online at

Chapel Hill Mortuary www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Tribute Wall

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“ I got to know Jill Park when she and I were students at EC/UE ... we met on the steps of the library and became buddies. We spent time studying and enjoying restaurants from the campus to Newburgh. I graduated, time passed, and I tried to find Jill ... and repeatedly failed (not knowing her actual first name). She was a delight and a friend, and -- in my opinion -- the world is less a place with the absence of her smile. If you saw her smile, you know what I mean.

Gary W McCullough - February 01, 2025 at 10:46 PM



“ *Jill Lueking*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM

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“ *Sara Losse lit a candle in memory of Jill Lueking*



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