



Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch

March 10, 1956 - December 22, 2021

Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch, 65, of Spirit Lake passed away at her home in Spirit Lake on Wednesday, December 22, 2021.

A celebration of life for Liz will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. till service time on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Liz was born March 10, 1956, in Ames, Iowa to Haakon and Inge (Keller) Herigstad. Liz graduated from Roland-Story High School in 1974 and received her bachelor's degree in Speech from Iowa State University in 1978. After graduation, Liz went on to be hired as the first woman in the state of Iowa by Motorola. Over the next 23 years she sold Motorola two-way radio systems in the agriculture market. First with Motorola, and then as a communications specialist with Electronic Engineering.

Always the devoted mom, she was lucky to have a home office when her boys, Carl and Jack, were young. Whether or not they liked it, Liz was always the first to sign up as a chaperone for school field trips and volunteered for all of their class activities, including prom. Liz also served as Cub Scout leader for Carl and Jack.

In 2004, Liz joined Sanford Home Medical Equipment where she sold home

medical supplies for 17 years. Liz loved her flowers and had a garden she was devoted to, taking flowers to work all the time. In her free time, she loved quilting, sewing, reading, Zumba and spending time with family.

Liz met her fiancé, Mick, in 2016. Before they met in person, they talked on the phone and texted each other for three months. When they finally met face to face, they both knew they were meant to be together. Their friendship blossomed into a deep, unshakable love for each other. They did everything together, always laughing, always loving each other, and always excited about the plans they were making for the future. Liz and Mick were truly blessed and knew they would be together forever.

Liz was preceded in death by her father, Haakon Hergistad. Left to cherish her memory are her fiancée Mick McCleery of Spirit Lake; sons Jack and Carl (Paige) Lorch, both of Spirit Lake; mother, Inge Herigstad of Roland; and brother, Garman Herigstand of Ames.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Robinson Funeral Home - December 28, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ *Liz was a beautiful person inside and out . Our sympathy to her family. We played racquet ball together. May all the angels and saints welcome her home. Bob and Kate Shaw*
Q

Kathleen Shaw - January 08, 2022 at 11:31 PM

GB

“ *Dear Inge and Mick: I am shocked to hear today of Liz's passing. I can't express my sadness. She was a wonderful lady. I always enjoyed spending time with you both. This is a tragedy for all. Please accept my sincere condolences.*

Gary Britson - January 04, 2022 at 03:26 PM

KF

“ Liz and I sold two way radios together at my brother’s Comm Spec business in Spencer for four years. We were and remained the BEST of friends. Our kids spent a lot of time together. I really truly loved her. When she moved to another company we were in competition but our friendship only grew. My family and I moved back here to Australia in 1994 but we kept in touch with my almost yearly visits back ever since. We always stopped for a day or two with Liz and Mick until COVID. She leaves a big hole in our hearts. Liz was so generous and went out of her way to do do much for us when we visited. We talked a lot about her visiting us in Australia when Covid was over but that never happened. I have always had Liz on my mind and my wife (another Liz) and our family have always spoken of her, Mick, Carl and Jack. Life will be sadder without this wonderful, fun and loving friend.
Ken and Liz Fuchsen and family

Ken Fuchsen - December 30, 2021 at 06:53 AM

LM

“ Carl, Jack, Mick and Inge,
Liz has been a friend for over 45 years. I will miss her beautiful smile and infectious laugh, her creative spirit and her quick wit. We had so much fun together. I’m sorry I couldn’t be at the memorial service. Lifting you all in prayer.

Leora Moen - December 29, 2021 at 06:55 PM

TG

“ Twyla Garnmeister lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch



Twyla Garnmeister - December 29, 2021 at 10:30 AM

SB

“ Dear Jack, Carl and Mick,
I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. It has been my pleasure to know Liz for over 20 years. She was a kind, thoughtful and generous friend. I consider myself so much better for having known her. I am unable to attend her memorial service, but please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.
Chef Susanne Bicknese

Susanne Bicknese - December 29, 2021 at 08:11 AM

EB

“ Dear Carl, Jack and Mick. We are so sorry for your loss. We hope that the beautiful memories, you have of your life with Liz, will comfort you and give you peace.
We think of you and Inge, and pray for you. The family from Copenhagen.

Elisabeth Bøcker - December 28, 2021 at 02:58 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch.



December 28, 2021 at 02:03 PM

JJ

“ The family in Denmark are sending our deepest sympathy and prayers. xoxo Jette



Jette Jalking - December 28, 2021 at 01:56 PM

EL

“ I think my first time meeting your mom was when you boys were young and it was a crafting event at the Methodist church. She was such a creative and friendly person. Always very proud of both of you and your accomplishments and rightly so. Hold fast to your memories of her. They will help you in the future. She was an amazing woman.

Elaine - December 28, 2021 at 12:43 PM

DB

“ My sympathy to the family. It was always nice to run into to Liz.

Dayle Brooks



Dayle Brooks - December 28, 2021 at 11:25 AM

PE

“ Our deepest sympathy.
Peggy & Bruce Gustafson & family



Peggy - December 27, 2021 at 10:32 PM

SW

“ Stephanie Hopkins Wittrock lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch



Stephanie Hopkins Wittrock - December 27, 2021 at 02:15 AM

DR

“ *Dean & Susan Reiser lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Dean & Susan Reiser - December 26, 2021 at 10:36 PM

DR

From farm radios to medical equipment, Liz was a great asset to assisting customers. She gave of her time to help others. She will be missed by many.

Dean and Susan Reiser - December 26, 2021 at 10:39 PM

BW

“ *Bev Wittler lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Bev Wittler - December 26, 2021 at 10:00 PM

KW

“ *I worked with Liz in Spencer at Communication Specialists, Motorola Services. She was a great lady, lots of fun and will be missed. I take baked goods to the Farmers Market in Spirit Lake at the fairgrounds in the summer and saw her there many times. My sympathy to all of you. I worked with Liz when you boys were born.*
Karen Jordan Wee

Karen Jordan Wee - December 26, 2021 at 06:15 PM

MC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Mary & Scott Chambers - December 26, 2021 at 03:06 PM

MA

Liz will be missed by all those she knew. Keep smiling & God's speed our friend!

Mary - December 26, 2021 at 03:09 PM

TL

Just beautiful

Tom and Deb Lowndes - December 28, 2021 at 03:06 PM

DM

“ Jack, Carl and family. I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Your Mom was such a kind person. She now watches over you from heaven. My prayers for you as you grieve.

Deb Wilcox, Jon Baloun's Mom - December 26, 2021 at 02:49 PM

DW

Deb Wilcox, Jon Baloun's Mom

Deb Wilcox - December 26, 2021 at 02:50 PM

LM

“ Liz was such a kind soul, a helping presence and an uplifting spirit. Our sincere sympathy to the family. She will be missed but long remembered!
Linda and Bill Moore

Linda Moore - December 26, 2021 at 11:21 AM

MS

“ Carl and Jack - I am so sorry about the loss of your wonderful Mom. Liz was one of a kind who spread love, joy, and happiness to all. We all shared so any memories of when you boys were young....McDonald's (playing in the ball pit), Spier park, bike riding the trails, birthday parties, etc. These memories will live on forever.



Marci Stoller - December 26, 2021 at 11:01 AM

MB

“ Liz was so lovely helping both my parents with walkers and she did it with humor and grace. I loved her liberal hugs when we would met at various events. She always lifted my spirits and made me smile. May flights of angels sing her to her rest. Namaste

Marta Barnard - December 25, 2021 at 04:17 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch.



December 25, 2021 at 11:07 AM

HK

“ Carl & Jack,

We are so sorry for your loss. Your Mom always had a smile on her face & genuinely cared about everyone she knew. She was your biggest fan and would be front & center cheering you on at every event. Her face lit up when she talked about the two of you ! We are never prepared to lose our loved ones and the best way to honor her memory

Is to talk about her often.

Draw on all of the beautiful moments you shared and know that you will be united one day.

oul has gone ahead of ustwo to brag about ywhatever sport you happened

Heidi Knox - December 25, 2021 at 10:49 AM

HK

Sorry about that last line. It was supposed to be deleted.

Heidi Knox - December 27, 2021 at 03:58 AM

MD

“ Michele Dyhrkopp-Shortley lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch



Michele Dyhrkopp-Shortley - December 24, 2021 at 09:13 PM

JC

“ *Jodie Sargent Calhoun lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Jodie Sargent Calhoun - December 24, 2021 at 05:53 PM

BW

“ *Becky Watson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Becky Watson - December 24, 2021 at 04:37 PM



“ *Beautiful lovely woman has gone home. We used to play racquetball together and always enjoyed her warm smile and friendly moments together*



Kathleen Shaw - December 24, 2021 at 02:15 PM

RD

“ *Carl and Jack,
We are heartbroken for you two boys. She was such a giving person. I think back at the many hours she spent helping and promoting soccer. Always the best cheerleader with her megaphone. She was so proud of her boys and always looked forward to you visits. She would help with anything people needed. It is her time to rest and cheer you on from heaven. We are praying for you both. The Davis Family*

Rosemary Davis - December 24, 2021 at 12:47 PM

RD

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Rosemary Davis - December 24, 2021 at 12:41 PM

DS

“ *Prayers to the friends and family of Liz! Rest in Peace!*



Dennis & Roxie (Holm) Steding - December 24, 2021 at 12:39 PM

DG

“ *Diane Tate Gerjets lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Diane Tate Gerjets - December 24, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch.*



December 24, 2021 at 12:29 PM

TL

“ *Tom And Deb Lowndes lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Tom and Deb Lowndes - December 24, 2021 at 12:24 PM

BS

“ *Beverly Sill lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Beverly Sill - December 24, 2021 at 11:37 AM

JS

“ *Jeff And Andrea Schwarck lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Jeff and Andrea Schwarck - December 24, 2021 at 10:04 AM

DR

“ *Doug And Barb Ricke lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Doug and Barb Ricke - December 24, 2021 at 10:03 AM

PT

“ *Paula Krogman Tietz lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Paula Krogman Tietz - December 24, 2021 at 10:02 AM

SM

“ *Such a sweetheart*



Sal Haas Martens - December 24, 2021 at 09:26 AM

AZ

“ *Annetta Zaiser lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Annetta Zaiser - December 24, 2021 at 09:14 AM

ET

“ *Ed & Linda Thelen lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Ed & Linda Thelen - December 24, 2021 at 08:44 AM

ET

“ *Our sympathy goes out to Liz's family.*

Ed & Linda Thelen - December 24, 2021 at 08:44 AM

SH

“ *Liz was as sweet as the smile on her face. sympathy to her family...*

Sandy Haht - December 24, 2021 at 08:32 AM

CH

“ *Charly Hertel lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Charly Hertel - December 24, 2021 at 08:31 AM

AM

“ *Our sympathy to Liz's family.*

Alan and Reba Munson



Alan and Reba Munson - December 24, 2021 at 07:40 AM

MH

“ *Matthew Hawn lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Matthew Hawn - December 24, 2021 at 12:51 AM

DB

“ *My sympathy to the family. Liz was a great gal.*

Dayle Brooks



Dayle Brooks - December 23, 2021 at 11:23 PM

SK

“ *Sally & Doug Kness lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Sally & Doug Kness - December 23, 2021 at 09:26 PM

LM

“ *Lori Masad lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Lori Masad - December 23, 2021 at 09:12 PM

BW

“ *So sorry to here of Liz's passing, she was a beautiful lady inside and out. Prayers go out to the family.*

Betty Wernimont - December 23, 2021 at 09:09 PM

JL

“ *Joann Lansdowne lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Joann Lansdowne - December 23, 2021 at 07:44 PM

RL

“ *Roxy & Bob Larson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch*



Roxy & Bob Larson - December 23, 2021 at 07:33 PM

FF

“ Fred Kaminska Karrie Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch



Fred Kaminska Karrie Ferguson - December 23, 2021 at 07:30 PM

MJ

“ Mary Ann Jansen lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Liz" Lorch



Mary Ann Jansen - December 23, 2021 at 07:19 PM

MD

“ I'm so sorry to hear of her passing. I always enjoyed seeing her when she worked at Sanford Home Medical.
Mary Dean

Mary Dean - December 23, 2021 at 02:04 PM