



## Lorna Hillian (Raper)

January 29, 1939 - October 16, 2021

Rev. Dr. Lorna Gayle Hillian (nee Raper) passed away on Saturday, October 16 at age 82 at Springdale.

She is pre-deceased by her husband George Hillian, her parents Lloyd and Helen Raper, infant siblings Diane and Robert, sister Carol Bosnell- Northcott, and niece Wendy Dionne.

She is survived by her brother Jerry Raper and his wife, Anne; nephews, Dean Bosnell, Scott Bosnell, Mark Bosnell and Jay Rayner, and nieces, Kim Bolton, Shelley Slobodian, and Rebecca Raper-Gutknecht, cousin Marian Allison and George's children Fraser, Douglas, John and Suzanne Hillian, Grandchildren Sandra, Fiona, Aisling, Michael, Emma and Matthew, and great-grandchildren Talia, Sage, Nolan, Charlotte, Ben, Frances and Owen.

Lorna devoted her life to Christian ministry, first with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship as a faith counselor, then as a Presbyterian minister, serving in Toronto at Albion Gardens, and in Kelowna, BC. at St. David's and later First United. She earned her doctorate in divinity from Knox College, Toronto.

The family thanks the staff at Springdale Country Manor for their exceptional care.

A service of remembrance will be held at St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church, 1140 St. Paul's St., Peterborough at a later date. Burial will follow in Kelowna, BC.

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ I am sad to hear this news. Lorna and I lived together in Kingston. I was in my final year at Queen's in the late 70's and she was working at St. Andrew's doing youth ministry. We laughed a lot that year and I am grateful to have had that time with her. Later, we were both ordained and tried keeping in touch after she moved to BC where she also found love and a life partner. As I write this, I am looking at the lamp hat she gave me as a wedding gift. I have moved that lamp back and forth across the country. It always finds a special place in my home wherever I live, just as Lorna's memory will always have a home in my heart. Thanks be to God for all questions answered and a promises fulfilled for her. My condolences to her family. Rev. Diane Strickland.

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**Diane Strickland** - November 23, 2021 at 05:52 PM

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“ Dear family of Rev. Dr. Lorna My late mother, Lois Strong, was a friend of Lorna's from 1990 until her passing in 2010. She met Lorna at St. David's here in Kelowna and Lorna helped her get over my father's passing in 1989. They remained friends over those years and my mother read scripture at Lorna and George's wedding. We met Lorna ( she insisted we call her Lorna) in 2005 when we moved to Kelowna. When my mother passed it was Lorna who provided comfort to us and became an integral integral of Mama's Celebration of Life. She gave me a book, *The Lord is my Shepherd*, by Harold Kushner which she hoped would help me through my grief. I picked up that book about a week ago, read the inscription from Lorna and again thought about her and wondered where she was. We lost touch with Lorna over the last few years since George died however she was always in our thoughts. Today. In the Kelowna Courier, I read her obituary and now know she is in heaven with all the other angels. We want you to know how sorry we are for your loss and how much she will be missed by people in Kelowna. Sincerely Marilyn Strong and Scott Pembleton

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**Marilyn Strong** - October 23, 2021 at 12:35 PM