



Audrey "Lolly" McCully

February 20, 1917 - May 10, 2015

Audrey Louise Wenger McCully ("Lolly"), age 98, died on May 10, 2015 at her home. She was born on February 20, 1917 in St. Louis, Missouri, the only child of the late Oliver C. Wenger, M.D. and Elizabeth ("Elsie") Isenmann Wenger. Mrs. McCully had lived in Hot Springs since 1921 when her father was appointed the first director of the former United States Public Health Service Venereal Disease Clinic on Spring and Reserve Streets. She attended the local public schools, graduating from Hot Springs High School in 1936 and then attending Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., and Washington University in St. Louis. On February 20, 1940 she married Cleveland Sidney (C.S.) McCully of Hot Springs at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, the Rev. Robert L. Baird officiating. In 1942, when her husband joined the U. S. Army Air Force, Mrs. McCully lived with her family in St. Louis, where she was employed as a credit report writer for Dunn and Bradstreet Credit Agency. Upon Sidney's return from military service in 1946, they came back to Hot Springs where they made their home.

A member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church since the age of eight years, Mrs. McCully served as a Sunday School Teacher, conducted weekly chapel services for St. Luke's Episcopal School, and was corresponding secretary for the St. Luke's Churchwomen. She held membership in the Garland County Historical Society, Friends of the Garland County Library, and was a volunteer at Jackson House.

Mrs. McCully was predeceased by her beloved husband of seventy-five years, Sidney; her parents, her parents-in-law, Grover C. ("Cleve") and Ethel Crowell McCully; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Owen A. and Florence Catherine Moreland McCully; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, E. H. ("Hack") McCully, Sr., and Burlene Parker McCully; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Howard M. ("Rock") and Pauline Couch Langos McCully; a sister-in-law, Mary Elizabeth Branch McCully; a niece, Patricia Burlene McCully; and a nephew, E. H. ("Buddy") McCully. Her friends Juanita Arms and Mildred Proske also predeceased her.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Linda McCully, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania and a daughter and son-in-law, Katherine L. and William R. Randel, of Hot Springs. Also surviving are three grandchildren, Sarah Randel Generes, Chicago, Illinois; Joe Robert Randel, Austin, Texas; and Erin McCully (Ian), Webster, North Carolina, and three great-granddaughters: Madeline Louise Generes, Lillianne Margaret Generes, and Lia Eleanor McCully Jeffress. Other survivors include brother-in-law, James K. McCully of Hot Springs; nieces, Nancy McCully Shipp (George), Deborah Pritchard (Rick) and Melanie McCully of Dayton, Ohio; nephews James K. McCully Jr. of Washington, D.C. and Bruce (Diane) Langos; and cousins. Two God-daughters also survive, Carolyn Caristianos Russell of Little Rock, Arkansas and The Rev. Mary Martin ("Marti") Dalby of Heber Springs, Arkansas. She is also survived by her special friends Phyllis Boulden and Sarah Britt Lee.

A Celebration of Life service officiated by The Rev CB Baker will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church Thursday, May 14th at 11:00 AM with interment in the St. Luke's Columbarium. Friends will be received in the Parish Hall immediately following the Memorial service.

Honorary pallbearers are her St. Luke's Parish family.

The family wishes to thank Dr. William Cole, Dr. Michael Fraiss, Dr. Robert Olive, Dr. Tom Wallace, Dr. John Simons, Dr. Jack Gates, and Dr. Scott Parker for the many years of wonderful care they provided Audrey. Special thanks to Dr. Martin Koehn, Dr. William Cole and the staff of wonderful caregivers provided by Arkansas Hospice. The family is deeply grateful for the help of her caregiver and friend, Susie Brock, and for the care and support of Jean Middleton, Linda Middleton and Tasha Hollinquest.

Memorials, in lieu of flowers may be made to: St. Luke's Episcopal Church Building Fund,
P.O. Box 1117, Hot Springs, Arkansas, 71902; Garland County Historical Society, P.O. Box 21335, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71903; or Jackson House, 705 Malvern Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901.

Tribute Wall

CO

“ Sending thoughts & prayers to the McCully family.
Virginia Outlaw Marak
Ruby Outlaw Zacha

cheryl marak oliver - May 14, 2015 at 03:37 PM

ME

“ Aunt Lolly was a wonderful person, kind and caring. I still remember all of her words of wisdom.

Melanie McCully

Mel - May 14, 2015 at 02:02 PM



“ I will always remember Aunt Lolly as one of the nicest people I have ever met and with a great sense of humor. Her letters were fantastic to read over the years and she was always connecting with the family no matter what. I fondly remember my last conversation with her upon the death of my Dad Howard McCully. She will be missed!

Bruce Langos - May 14, 2015 at 01:06 PM

BB

“ Our loss is heaven's gain. What a sweet lady. Joe and Barb Bonnette

Barb Bonnette - May 12, 2015 at 08:27 PM

DM

“ It is with a sad heart I just want to express my love and sympathy to all of you. To have been loved by the McCully family was one of my best memories I will hold in my heart forever. I believe there will be a celebration in Heaven to welcome this beautiful loving spirit into the illuminating presence of God forever...

Debbie Arms Miller - May 12, 2015 at 11:22 AM

JW

“ Thank you for adding my grandmother, Juanita Arms, to the obituary. That means very much to our family. Perhaps they are sitting together now catching up!

"Aunt Lolly," as she told us to call her, was always so sweet and caring in those brief moments as a child that I answered the phone at grandmother's house when she called. She was always supportive of us through all our growing up milestones too. What a wonderful long life she lived.

So sorry to hear her passing, but grateful for her life and especially her friendship to my grandmother.

*Love,
Jeremy Wilhelmi*

Jeremy Wilhelmi - May 12, 2015 at 11:19 AM

SL

“ RIP GOD BE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

stan lafever - May 12, 2015 at 07:23 AM

DW

“ So sorry for the loss of this sweet sweet lady. Prayers are with the family.

Doug & Kathleen Wright - May 11, 2015 at 10:47 PM

IT

“ Hugs, from over our lifetimes.

Itsy

Itsy - May 11, 2015 at 02:09 PM

RW

My heart goes out to your family. Praying that God will shelter you in His arms and carry you through this very difficult time. Just imagine the beauty and joy that your Mom is experiencing. Love & Prayers, Randi Hutzel Wright

Randi Hutzel Wright - May 13, 2015 at 03:21 PM

DL

A Mother is the heart of a home. May your hearts be filled with wonderful memories of a very special lady.

*Diane and Bruce Langos
West Carrollton, OH*

Diane Langos - May 14, 2015 at 01:31 PM



Mike and Kathy, so sorry to hear of your mother's death. No matter how old or how sick they might be, it still leaves a hole in our heart. It's so hard to lose someone we have known all our lives.

Sandi Jordan - May 14, 2015 at 02:31 PM

LE

Audrey had a gift for friendship. She and Sid were dear friends of my mother, Lora Battles Eckert, while she lived in Hot Springs. My mother and Audrey maintained a lifelong connection even after mother moved "up North." Audrey was a gifted writer and my mother treasured their correspondence. Even after my mother was no longer to keep up her end of this correspondence, Audrey continued to write to her. What kindness and gracious energy!

I also know her talents as a historian were a valuable contribution to her community.

Lora M. Eckert - June 25, 2015 at 04:37 PM

DL

Think about you all the time. The framed prayer you gave me to hang on the wall by my front door still and always will be in its place. Miss you!

Deborah Langos-Prichard - May 09, 2020 at 09:14 PM