



Mrs. Eve Larnder Plasse

September 2, 1935 - May 13, 2020

Eve Larnder Plasse died of complications due to Covid-19 at Columbus Regional Health in Columbus, Indiana on Wednesday, May 13 at the age of 84. She was a lifelong nurse and was thankful for the excellent nursing care she received at Four Seasons Retirement Community and CRH.

Eve is survived by her two children: daughter Linda Suzanne Williams (married to D. Brian Williams of Houston, Texas) and son Steve Arthur Plasse (married to Jenna Plasse, of Crothersville, Indiana). Beloved grandkids include Vitaliy Williams age 20, Ella Plasse age 16 and Elijah Plasse age 14.

Eve was born on September 2, 1935 in Hendon, Middlesex, England to Harold and Edith (Pike) Larnder. She immigrated to Canada in 1955, obtained her nursing diploma from Montreal General Hospital and post-graduate training at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore before moving to San Francisco as the beat era came into full swing, continuing nursing there. Eve worked as a medic during the 1960 Olympics in Squaw Valley. Nearly 6 feet tall, she was a member of the Golden Gate Tip Toppers Club, and enjoyed a sunny apartment with girlfriends.

Adventure called her north to Alaska in 1961, where she met Vincent Morris Plasse dancing at the Pink Poodle in Anchorage. The couple married in 1962 (divorced 1977). She worked as a nurse for Providence Hospital, earning the nickname of 'Sarge' from several patients for her no nonsense demeanor, getting patients up and moving toward health. The couple road-tripped extensively with Suzanne and Steve taking them on many camping adventures in Alaska, across the "lower 48," and on two trips to her home country of England. As a single, working mother, Eve was her kids' biggest supporter and confidante, always encouraging them to pursue higher education and life goals. She led by example earning a degree in Human Resource Development from Alaska Pacific University at age 51.

In 1989, Eve moved back to California, nursing in Mendocino and San Francisco hospitals. After retiring from nursing, she moved to Columbus, Indiana to be closer to her son and grandkids.

Eve enjoyed playing bridge; traveling the world; watching tennis; volunteer-ushering for the theater, music, and lecture events; and surrounding herself in her favorite color:

purple. She was a good friend to many and was passionate about bubble baths. She was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal church in Anchorage, Grace Cathedral in San Francisco, and St. Paul's in Columbus.

The family wishes to express their thanks to all the caregivers, nurses, and aides who gave her comfort and care at Four Seasons and Columbus Regional Health. They appreciate the selfless care and grace offered by these frontline professionals. At this time, no public gatherings are planned. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to American Nurses Foundation. In accordance with Eve's wishes, the family will scatter her remains in the waters of Cook Inlet, Alaska.

Arrangements were entrusted to Barkes, Weaver & Glick Funeral Home.

Comments



“ Dear Brian , Suzanne and Steve,
Over the course of several years I have been in regular contact with your dear mother and have such good memories of knowing her when she lived in AK though APU and church .
We had great fun visiting in CA when I went back to see my family on occasion.
Eve was one of the kindest people I have ever met and I will miss her dearly.
Joyce Middleton

joyce middleton - May 31 at 11:33 AM



“ Steve, Ella, and the entire family, I am so very sorry for your loss of such an amazing lady! While I never knew her personally, I have been honored and privileged to work with you (Steve) and have you (Ella) as a student this past year. Knowing what exceptional people you both are, I can only imagine what an incredible lady Mrs. Larnder was. Your tribute is beautifully written and also helped paint an impressive picture of her magnificent soul.
You are in my heart, my thoughts, and my prayers. Sending love and hugs your way!
Tammy Davis



Tammy Davis - May 21 at 03:00 AM



“ Dear Suzanne and Steve,
Please accept my sincere sympathy on the loss of your Mother. We were in training together at the OLD MGH..we were good friends and Eve returned for every reunion except the very last one in 2011...however,at our private dinner together that night we were able to FaceTime with Eve much to everyone's pleasure.I was also often in touch with her by e-mail and we did meet in Hawaii for a lovely visit and lunch together a few years ago. I will miss her but again know that she had many good friends here in Canada.
May she Rest In Peace.
Eve Murphy

Evelyn Murphy - May 20 at 04:50 PM



“ Steve and Family,
So sorry to read about the loss of your mother. What a wonderful, exciting, and interesting life she lived. I pray God wraps His loving arms around you and give you peace.
Beverly Bagwell

Beverly Bagwell - May 19 at 09:54 PM



“ Dear Suzanne & Steven,
I am deeply saddened to receive your news of Eve's death. What a tragedy that this horrible virus should end her life - a life well lived.
Although distance had its drawbacks, we were able to keep in touch through emails and telephone.
I was fortunate to have had a visit with Eve in San Francisco and she, on several occasions, visited us in Vancouver. She was certainly opinionated, but in a good way and also entertaining. Of course, our most memorable and happy times were the nursing reunions in Montreal, when we were able to recall those amazing three years of training.
She was a true friend and I will miss her.
Jack and I send our sincere condolences to you and your families.
Regards and good health.
Winnifred Butterfield.

w. Butterfield - May 19 at 07:25 PM



“ Dear Suzanne, Steve and Family,
I never expected to find Eve's Obituary in my e-mail acct. today. I have not been receiving the local paper for some time, and I want to thank you for contacting me by e-mail.
Needless to say, I am in shock. My heart goes out to you. Your Mother was so proud of her Daughter and Son, and she never neglected to include the newest Family Photo, whenever she wrote to me. She also kept me up to date with the Grand-children, and talked about them lovingly, whenever she visited Anchorage, and took the time to come over to my home for a meal. Although she had left Anchorage years ago, she stayed in contact with people.
Eve was one of the first Nurses I worked with, when I arrived at Providence Hospital in July 1966. That started a long work relationship till Eve moved to San Francisco. I also attended a Baby shower for one of you, but please forgive me, I don't remember which one of you two it was for. I do remember we sat outside your parents home in the garden, and the sun was shining. Loosing a Mother is a huge loss, but I know you were loved, and you loved her. Now all we have left, are fond memories.
As you move on with your daily lives, please remember, that Eve leaves behind many, that share in your loss.

With sympathy in this time of sadness,
Dorothee W. Wuerth

Dorothee Wuerth - May 18 at 03:23 AM



“ To Eve's family,
I was saddened to learn the loss of your Mother and the reason for which she died. Such fond memories I had of Eve during our nursing days at the Montreal General Hospital. Even living at a distance Eve was sure to attend many of our class reunions.
Eve was unable to be at the 60th class reunion, our last , at Montreal in 2016, however we were able to visually see and speak with her. What a delight it was for us all.
I'm sure she'll be sadly missed.

With prayers and heartfelt sympathy,
Viola Henderson Glos
Windsor, Ontario

Viola Glos - May 17 at 09:15 PM



“ Dear Suzanne, Steven and families,
Chad and I were saddened to read of the passing of your mom and our friend, Eve in the Anchorage paper this morning. I'm sure as we've all been "hunkering" down since the start of the virus here in the state, that your mom too was doing the same. But one doesn't know when the Lord will call us home.
I first met you mom when she and I worked together at Providence Hospital in the 1970's; and we also enjoyed going fishing with your family down at Seward. Even after she moved to California she always called when she was back for a visit so we could have lunch together to renew our friendship. Just this spring she emailed about a mutual friend from Providence who was ill.
Your mom was a "Sarge" doing what needed to be done to help our patients recover; but she was a great friend and we'll miss her:(
Love and prayers to you all,
Edna and Chad



Edna Resari - May 17 at 07:05 PM



“ My thoughts are with Eve’s family. I enjoyed many nice times and adventures with Eve, especially in San Francisco where we both originally retired. She was a bright, capable, and adventurous woman—Bridge player, theater goer, and traveler.

Jane Evanson - May 17 at 05:19 PM



“ Suzanne and Steve - We are so sorry for your loss. Wishing you peace and comfort during this time.
Frank and Sharon Zygmunt in Avon, CT.

Frank Zygmunt - May 17 at 12:50 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to Suzanne and the rest of the family on the loss of her mother. She had a wonderful life and career. May she rest in peace and may the family find comfort in many wonderful memories.
Denise, Jules and Josh Laird in Houston, Texas

Denise Oncken and Jules Laird - May 15 at 08:23 AM



“ Thank you for your kind thoughts.

L Suzanne Williams - May 16 at 09:09 AM



“ To Eve’s dear children – I am so sorry for your loss.

I was a friend of Eve when she lived in San Francisco. One of my fondest memories was when we were camping with the Tall Club in Big Sur. She and I decided to go into town and attend a nightclub, dancing the night away. We took drives together, shopped together, and emailed each other.

I was sad when she moved away but glad she was near family and glad for you to have her near.

May she rest in peace.

-Doris Livezey, Tall Club of Silicon Valley

Doris Livezey - May 17 at 04:19 PM



“ Dear Suzanne and Steven,

Eve and I were room mates for the first year or so when we were at the "old" Hospital in downtown Montreal. We shared a tiny room really build for one student, but with a bunk bed and one desk.

We drew very close, even leaving notes for one another to say where we were, or when we would be returning to our room.

Eve was my friend since we were 18.....We continued our friendship through the Nursing Years and Beyond...

A very Special and Loved lady.

You have my thoughts and fond wishes, Suzanne and Steven
and I join you in sadness as we say "Good bye"

Pat (Hewetson) Meyer

Pat Meyer - May 18 at 10:52 AM



“ I had the privilege of meeting Eve only once, but realized immediately what a strong, intelligent, beautiful, well traveled person she was. She has passed all of that on to her daughter and I just want to say thank you Eve for giving me my dear friend Suzanne! RIP

Carla Espinosa - May 15 at 08:18 AM



“ Oh, Carlita, how lovely. Thank you.

L Suzanne Williams - May 16 at 09:10 AM



“ My heart aches for Eve's family. She was such a lovely lady and a pleasure to work with. She had a quick wit, great sense of humor, and a wonderful smile. I am blessed to have known her. Peace be with you, Jennifer (OT)

Jennifer - May 14 at 07:53 AM



“ Thank you, Jennifer.

L Suzanne Williams - May 16 at 09:11 AM



“ Suzanne , Steve, and family:

There are no answers to comfort your grief, only lasting love and precious memories.

Thank you so very much for contacting me of your mom's passing. I met Eve at CPMC in S.F. and I can think of many memorable occasions with her. The one that stands out is our trip as roommates to the Indian Wells Tennis tournament. On our flight back to SF, I smiled and said, " I am glad we are still friends and she laugh and said yes. we continue to be in touch up until our last phone call in early March, 2020. I will truly miss her. God Bless,
Cherry

Cherry Price - May 18 at 01:23 PM



“ Suzanne and Steve,

Eve will always be in my heart. I am so glad that she was my friend. Eve was truly a remarkable person to everyone who was fortunate enough to know her.

Thank you for contacting me regarding her final moments. We had talked a few days earlier and when I saw the email I eagerly opened it thinking that it was a follow-up. I was shocked

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We are keeping a green light burning in memory of Eve. Our Governor has designated this in memory of friends and family who have died during the pandemic.

.Sincere condolences, Bill

William D Pierce - May 20 at 11:51 AM