



Lucy Meisner Wiegand

May 5, 1929 - March 25, 2021

Lucy Meisner Wiegand lived a long and vibrant life, a slight solace for those left behind. Lucy passed away after an unexpected illness on March 25, 2021. She embraced her downtown Portland lifestyle, where she walked, explored, entertained, and met with close friends for laughter-filled happy hours. She lived her life with panache until a few days before entering the hospital.

Born in Tangent, Oregon, Lucy lived her early years in the Willamette Valley, the second of eight children. Lucy moved to Portland after graduation, where she spent the rest of her years, an Oregonian through and through. She first worked for A. B. Smith Chevrolet, continued her career at CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) in Hillsboro, and the Private Industry Council in downtown Portland, staying until she retired.

Our mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sibling, aunt, friend, and coworker will be remembered for her quick wit, knowledge of all sports and art, love of reading and movies, her superlative card-giving, her book group of fast friends. Her adventurous side found her playing on tennis teams, hiking trips in Europe, cross-country skiing at Mt. Hood and Yellowstone, and taking any opportunity to sneak off for a walk on the beach. Lucy enjoyed many 'last trips to Mexico,' the final trip celebrating her 90th birthday with family in Puerto Vallarta.

Lucy is survived by her three daughters: Elizabeth Bokish (John), Maria Meisner, Jennifer Meisner Isarankura (Thomas); grandchildren Joshua (Jazzminn), Natalia (Daniel), Alexander, Olivia, Ava and Stella; and beloved great-grandchildren Samuel, Henry, Logan, and Lucy. Surviving siblings include Ross Villanueva (Marie) and Virginia Muzzio. Lucy was preceded in death by her parents, Alberto and Natalia Villanueva, brothers Bert, Donn, and Phillip Villanueva, and sisters Josephine Moore and Rosa Phillips. Her husband Gerald W. Meisner and husband Robert Wiegand also predeceased her. The matriarch of our family instilled in us a love of learning, the utmost importance of an enlightened view, and the possibilities that tomorrow brings. Lucy said she'd "lived a wonderful life, and was at peace, and peace to all of you," a few days before her hospice care began. Solace, yet such sorrow at the loss of our guiding light.

Following Lucy's wishes, no service is planned. Memorial contributions may be made to AnimalAid.Org or Chamber Music Northwest at CMNW.org.

Cemetery

Valley View Memorial Park

24235 NE Dayton Avenue

Newberg, OR, 97132

Comments



“ I spent many a day over at my junior high BFF’s house (Jennifer) and remember Lucy so fondly. She loved to read, movies, tennis. She always worked in roles that gave back to her community and I so admired her for that. She will be dearly missed. Sending big hugs to Jennifer, Elizabeth, Maria and the whole family.

-Mielle Marquis

Mielle Marquis - June 27, 2021 at 04:07 PM



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e.bokish - May 21, 2021 at 02:08 PM



“ Lucy was a regular and treasured customer at Broadway Books. We always enjoyed talking books with her. We will miss her and send our condolences to her friends and family.

Sally McPherson - May 17, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ Thank you so much, Sally. Lucy loved Broadway Books. She gifted me many books to read after she finished, and there is nothing better than a new book to read.

e.bokish - May 25, 2021 at 05:31 PM



“ Some of my very first memories as a child are of my beloved grandmother Lucy, whom I called Lulu. I can still hear the tinkling of the ice cubes in her scotch as she came down the hall past my bedroom, which signaled that it was time for my bedtime story. And I remember her teaching me a new word every day and helping me learn to read. She was such a big part of my childhood and an equally important influence in my adult life. She inspired me to open my own restaurant and was a big help in making that possible. Her love of good food and wine is surely reflected in my own personal tastes and life's work. My wife Jazzminn and I always looked forward to seeing her, especially for a night on the town with someone who possessed such impeccable taste and razor-sharp wit. Our own daughter, Lucy Virginia Bokish, will never meet her great-grandmother, but she will know her; as Lulu's legacy lives on in our family forever.

Joshua Bokish - May 16, 2021 at 02:53 PM



“ From my earliest memories and into our last moments together Lucy was a joy to be around. She always, and without exception, supported me and my unorthodox adventures and career paths. She always remained curious of my life and work and her blessings provided reassurance as I grew into adulthood. Lucy inspired me to keep moving forward on a path that, for many grandmothers, would have been too nontraditional. I would not be the person I am today without having had Lucy as a grandmother. She set such a high precedent for kindness and class that I am so proud to be seen in all her family and friends as we mourn the loss of our beloved matriarch, Lucy.

Alex Bokish - May 16, 2021 at 12:58 PM



“ The shock and ensuing sadness will never go away. As we all know, Lulu was a one of a kind woman and it has been an honor and privilege to be her granddaughter. The standard is set extremely high to age with the class and moxie that Lulu always possessed. Her kindness, hostessing skills, card selection, style, wit and energy will be things I strive to emulate forevermore. Whether it was watching the Christmas boats on the river or lounging in Mexico, your presence always brought a special experience. I will forever cherish the memories that came along with having you as a grandmother. Whenever I think about you I break down in tears, but I know you knew how much you meant to all of us. We all love you and miss you Lulu.

Natalia Bokish - May 16, 2021 at 10:58 AM



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e.bokish - May 06, 2021 at 01:28 PM



“ Although I have known Lucy for 10 or more years, it wasn't until she moved downtown that we became friends. Sam Stott, Lucy and myself could be found out and about at some happy hour on Thursday or Friday almost every week for the last 4 years. The week before she passed, we were planning our next happy hour outing. So her death was and still is a shock.
I never ceased to be amazed at how young Lucy looked. She was 14 years older than me and yet she always looked at least 10 years younger. Needless to say, I was jealous. She is truly missed.



Candee Wilson - April 05, 2021 at 03:01 PM



“ Thank you for your lovely comments, Candee. Lucy always mentioned when you had been together, sounds like you had lots of fun, and she enjoyed your company . Elizabeth
e.bokish - May 06, 2021 at 01:26 PM



“ I met Lucy years ago through a mutual friend. I lost track of her when she and her husband moved to an assisted living facility. I saw her in Safeway shortly after she moved into Ladd Tower. It was one joyous meet up! I lived across the park in the next block. We did a lot of walking in good weather as well as outings to City Target, Whole Foods and our favorite Muji's. In Candee's photograph, I am the giant in white. Our weekly happy hours were indeed happy! I do miss her so much but I will always hold her in my heart. Sam
Sam Stott - May 06, 2021 at 06:39 PM



“ Lost the end of what I writing. Don't know where it went. Just a reminder of all our happy hours with Candee and all the walking about Portland when the weather was favorable. I miss her greatly and I will always hold her in my heart.
Sam Stott - May 06, 2021 at 06:49 PM



“ Thank you, Sam. I heard your name often from Lucy. She had many laughs and great walks with you. Sam, Candee & Lucy really were a trio of great friends.
e.bokish - May 16, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ Lucy my friend always had that calming force and beautiful smile. I will always cherish her.



Marnella (PIC) - April 05, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ Very touching words, Marnella. Lucy always spoke highly of you. Thank you so much, we join you in cherishing her. Elizabeth

e.bokish - May 06, 2021 at 02:02 PM



“ Liz, Jennifer, Maria and families,

I was so sad to hear about Lucy's passing. We knew each other almost 35 years. Lucy and I used to go on trips together through the city Rec. Dept. We had great stories to share from backpacking, skiing and other wonderful trips. She was a delightful friend, very gracious and generous. I used to visit her and Bob both at the condo in town and at Black Butte home. We always had great adventures, biking, hiking or shopping. I will miss sharing those times with Lucy, and shall keep these memories close. I know this will leave a big gap in your lives, but you are her best legacy of all.

Warm regards,
Barbara Marmon & Bette Ederer

Barbara Marmon - March 29, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ Barbara, you were such a great friend to Lucy for countless (!) years. You two did do so much together, and she enjoyed dinners with you and Bette recently. Thank you so much, Elizabeth

e.bokish - May 06, 2021 at 02:06 PM



“ Lucy was one in a million, maybe a billion. Our relationship started out slowly so many years ago. I had long hair and a mustache and her daughter was a bit younger than me... But thankfully, I soon won her over. Maybe in part because I became domino buddies and could speak Spanish with Grandpa B.

What impressed me early on was her genuine care for people. All people. she was so gracious, so open to other's thoughts and perspectives.

I learned over the years how knowledgeable she was on so many subjects. Such an intellect, so well read. I didn't even attempt to keep up with her on literature and the arts. She was in a class well above my pea brain mentality. But there were so many other subjects with shared interests. Travel, dining, tennis, cocktails, the beach, family and of course sports.

Lucy could name the top 5 picks in the 2018 baseball draft, the batting order of the NY Yankees, The Blazers win /loss record. There were times when I needed to bone up on the box scores before heading over for a visit. We would text back and forth during important games in every sport. The emojis would be flying! She was the best jock buddy I had.

But it was her love, compassion and generosity that we will all so sorely miss. And her smile. And her wit. Sometimes I had to think before I laughed. Oh ,and her hors d'oeuvre trays and Bourbon selection. Not to forget the cards so carefully and perfectly selected. And the walks on the beach. Almost forgot... binoculars in hand, epipen in purse. No... I never got to jab her...

Dinner at Southpark ,the Symphony, she always brought lozenges. So so so much more. I love her so much. The hole in my heart will never completely heal. But I can live with that because my memories of my dear Suegracita will never fade. Love you Lucy...

