



Lori Jo Burton-Lynch

June 23, 1955 - January 23, 2024

Lori Jo Burton-Lynch transitioned peacefully from this life on January 23, 2024, surrounded by her cherished family at St. George Regional Hospital. Lori's radiant spirit and warm smile left a permanent mark on all those fortunate enough to cross her path. Her absence will be deeply felt by the many lives she touched.

Lori was born on a beautiful June day in Tooele, Utah, to Francis and Harriet Bryan, and spent her formative years in Tooele alongside lifelong friends Trudy and Krissy. She graduated from Tooele High School in May 1973 and, over the years, built a life rich in love and experiences. In July 1974, she welcomed her son Bryan, and in December 1977, her family was completed with the arrival of her daughter Holly. Lori's profound love for her children was evident in the lessons she imparted on them amongst many others — the importance of love, cleanliness, and hard work.

A lover of travel and adventure, Lori explored destinations far and wide, creating lasting memories with her children and grandchildren. When not on the road, she indulged in her passion for sewing and baking, infusing every recipe with her unique touch.

Bowling was one of Lori's greatest joys, leading her to a dedicated role as a volunteer director for over two decades in the Ladies and Youth Bowling League. Her career in banking logistics spanned 40 years, beginning at UTA and culminating at Wells Fargo. In April 2012, Lori found her soulmate, Mike Lynch, with whom she shared a love for motorcycles and embarked on new

adventures. They eventually settled in Scenic, AZ, where they married in July of 2021 and spend their days enjoying card games and dart nights with friends.

Lori is survived by her devoted husband, Mike Lynch, her children Bryan (Crystal) Liddell and Holly Hunt, stepchildren Josh Lynch and Kasi (Cody) Petzold, sister Lonna (Max) Cropper, grandchildren, and numerous other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents Harriet and Francis, sisters Judy, Jan, Pat, and brother-in-law Bill.

A celebration of Lori's vibrant life will take place in June 2024, with details to be announced in due course. In lieu of flowers and gifts, Lori requested that memorial donations be made to St. Jude's Hospital in her honor.

Family and friends are invited to [click here](#) to share tributes online.

Arrangements by Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100.

JM

“ Growing up, I always knew my siblings and I were adopted. My parents loved us unconditionally but they never hid the fact that we weren't born from them. My mom always used to tell us she knew there were three kids out there for her, and she did end up with three kids. My siblings both had some presence of their birth moms in their lives. They'd send us Christmas gifts, birthday gifts for my siblings, letters to my parents. They didn't have to include me but they did their best to send me something for Christmas too, even though I had no contact with my own birth mother or her family. Eventually, my siblings both got to meet their biological siblings and families. I never did. But I always had Lori. Lori had helped make my adoption possible and I considered her the closest person to a birth mom that I ever knew. She would always come by around Christmas and it made me feel like I had a special connection too.

I last saw Lori almost exactly two years ago. I had moved to Arizona as a young adult and she was in town and we met up for breakfast. She was just like I always remembered her and I will cherish that last memory forever. I don't know if she ever knew how much she truly meant to me but for a little kid who didn't really understand why her birth mom wasn't in her life, Lori did a whole lot of healing that hole for me.

May you ever rest in peace, Lori. Lots of love, Jessica (Mraz) Maroney

Jessica Maroney - January 30, 2024 at 07:24 PM

KR

“ Aunt Lori was our closest aunt on mom's side of the family, and I'll always appreciate how thoughtful she was about that. Katie and I were able to go to her home and learn how to make Grandma Bryan's special fudge recipe, and I still make it and think about them both and their love. Aunt Lori always teased that I was adulterating the recipe by making flavors like chocolate orange, caramel cashew, chocolate cherry, and cookies and cream...I think she was secretly pleased.

With all my love I pray for her family, including mine, that we may be comforted because we're going to miss her love and her sass. <3 - Kristy (Cropper) Burtenshaw

Kristy - January 30, 2024 at 07:10 PM

 Patrick
Tate

“ Time with Lori and Mike were always a blast. She will be terribly missed by Tammy and I.



Patrick Tate - January 30, 2024 at 12:37 PM

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“ Everyone in the Tooele High Class of '73 love Lori. We all missed her at our 50th Reunion and knew she was struggling. I loved how Lori always was direct in her opinions and responses. Her vivacious personality and engaging smile brightened every room she entered. This junior high photo is how I will always remember Lori. We all miss you. (Charlie Roberts)



Charlie Roberts - January 30, 2024 at 12:14 PM

KS

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Lori was truly a beautiful person with a heart of gold. Lots of love to all her family.

Kim Schager - January 30, 2024 at 11:18 AM

PF

“ Times spent with Lori and Mike at neighborhood gatherings in Scenic AZ were always fun.
God Bless Mike and Family during these difficult times.

Peggy Fitzgerald

Littlefield AZ

Peggy Fitzgerald - January 29, 2024 at 02:51 PM