



Lucretia Ann Sherrod

May 8, 2022

Lucretia (Cretia) Ann Sherrod of Ft. Collins, CO, passed into the promised land May 8, 2022; she was 62 years old. She was born to Allison David and Lou Jean Sherrod.

The family moved from Denver, CO, to an isolated Indian village in northern Manitoba, Canada, when she was 10 years old. The family spent 5 years there while her father taught school in the village. While living in Cormorant she enjoyed fishing, camping, canoeing, and horseback riding. She returned to Colorado and graduated from South High School in Denver. Then she went on to CSU and received a Bachelor of Science and a Masters in Soil Science. Cretia then worked for the Agricultural Research Service of the USDA in her dream job as a soil scientist where she stayed until her death. She loved her dogs, camping, fishing, canoeing, riding her 4-wheeler, shooting clay pigeons (often beating the guys), and a good beer! She was a loyal and true friend to many and fiercely independent. She was passionate about the soil and the science she did to help us manage it, protect it, and help it to flourish. She courageously battled cancer for a year and remained in her home until she passed away holding her twin sister's hand.

She is survived by her sister Dr. Jan Sherrod-Mossberg (Jerry) of Ft. Collins, her nephew Zach Sherrod of Kimball NB, her niece Rebecca Schwendeman (Scott) and their children Blake, Bruin, Bryndil, and Berkshire of Minnesota.

Stepchildren Brett Tooley of Greeley, CO, Brianna Tooley of Portland Oregon, cousins Brian Olesen (Judy) of Palisade, CO, Linda Dryman and Jane (Reed) Nelson both of North Carolina; Pam (Howard) Jordi of Massachusetts, Eric Goodwin of Texas.

She is also survived by her beloved 14-year-old chocolate lab "Little Bear". Cretia was predeceased by Allison David Sherrod (father), Lou Jean Sherrod (mother), David W. Sherrod (brother), Dr. Jerry Mossberg (brother-in-law).

There will be a celebration of life at 4:00 pm on Friday May 20th at the Rist Canyon Inn with a reception immediately after the service. Her internment will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Ft. Collins water works (poudrelandmarks.org) or the American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 20. 4:00 AM (MT)

Rist Canyon Inn
4625 Rist Canyon Rd
Laporte, CO 80535

Tribute Wall



“ *Lucretia Ann Sherrod*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *I became aware of Cretia as she was working in the same building as I as well as on campus. She stood out among all the other people, because of her pleasant personality and smile. I later learned she was working on field studies with Drs. Westfall and Peterson. I was thus also impressed that she was so respected and trusted to do the assigned work. I also observed how much my coworkers trusted her and looked to her expertise in some of their own work. Her interactions with personally were always pleasant and helpful. She is and will be greatly missed.*

Ronald Follett, retired and former Research Leader of the Soil, Plant, Nutrient Unit of the ARS, Fort Collins

Ronald Follett - May 21, 2022 at 11:25 PM



“ *Irma lit a candle in memory of Lucretia Ann Sherrod*



Irma - May 21, 2022 at 10:43 AM

JJ

“ *Jim& Jacque lit a candle in memory of
Lucretia Ann Sherrod*



Jim& Jacque - May 19, 2022 at 12:22 AM

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“ *I first became acquainted with Cretia when she was a Sophomore at CSU when I hired her as a work-study student. She continued to work for me through her undergraduate degree and upon graduation Dr. Gary Peterson and I hired her to be in charge of the field operations of our dryland cropping systems research project in eastern CO. Eventually she transitioned to the ARS-USDA. She took care of all the weed control, helped plant and harvest the crops and collect residue and biomass samples for the project. She also helped mentor our graduate student, many of which have expressed their sincere appreciation to me for her help. To the time of her passing she still managed all the data for the project. Cretia was a very special person, always happy with a smile on her face and willing to help; always doing more than her share of the work. I will miss her tremendously!*

Thanks for everything Cretia, may you rest in peace.

Dr. Dwayne G. Westfall

Professor Emeritus

Department of Soil and Crop Sciences

CSU

Dwayne Westfall - May 16, 2022 at 09:51 PM

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“ JAN AND FAMILY, I was so sad to hear from Troy Suto that Cretia was ill last summer. I must say that it is an honor to know both of you, share funny stories and your company. May you and your family find peace and caring in the coming months and years and remember that goofy, funny, "dirt"-loving woman. Stace

Stace - May 16, 2022 at 08:28 PM

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“ Stace lit a candle in memory of Lucretia Ann Sherrod



Stace - May 16, 2022 at 08:16 PM