



Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler

January 19, 1938 - October 3, 2022

Eliska Ann "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler died at home on October 3, 2022, surrounded by her children. She was born in New Orleans to John Francis Lawrence and Marie Eliska Smith Lawrence Lydiard on January 19, 1938. After losing her father, an air traffic controller at Moisant Airport, in 1958, Le Le lost her ride back and forth to Colorado where she was studying to be a veterinarian. She transferred to LSU where she settled for a master's degree in poultry nutrition, and met her future husband, a handsome graduate student, Fred Kopfler. Le Le became a wife and mother, but not a typical housewife: her conditions were no ironing, no fine china, and pets were not negotiable. Le Le would rather muck a stall than decorate a holiday table. Le Le loved all things in agricultural biology, always involved in the community, especially volunteering as a field trip guide at nature centers and livestock farms. She was often asked to teach chemistry, biology, or math when a school or university was in need. She was an avid herpetologist, equestrienne, and ornithophile. She had a great love for Our Lady and prayed the rosary daily. The feast day of Mary, Mother of God, (also her mother's birthday) was always celebrated on New Year's Day.

She is survived by her children, Eliska Marie Plunkett (Daniel), Gretchen Ann Parrill (Steve), Frederick Charles "Rick" Kopfler III (Rachel), and John Francis Kopfler; her grandchildren Haley Marie Thonn (Trew), Allison Marie Cooke (James), Emily Ann Galjour (Michael), Marie Adele Houpy (Keith), Alexis Ann Kopfler (Jennah), Kristina Marie Plunkett, Marie Clare Plunkett, Thomas Oliver

Plunkett, Hayden Campbell Kopfler, Logan Michael Kopfler, Madison Elizabeth Kopfler, Grant William Kopfler, and Frederick Charles “Charlie” Kopfler IV; and seven great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Frederick Charles Kopfler Jr., her parents, and her great-granddaughter, Ella May Houpy.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Desert Nuns at Our Lady of Solitude Monastery in Tonopah, AZ - an Order dear to Le Le’s heart.

The family of LeLe Kopfler wishes to express deepest thanks and appreciation to Notre Dame Hospice and especially nurses Carissa and Sarah for their attentive and respectful care. The family also recognizes the sacrifices made by Steve Parrill, Rachel Kopfler, and Dan Plunkett, through which our mother’s end of life independence and comfort was made possible.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation at St. Albert’s Catholic Church on Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 9:30 a.m. until the Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans at 12:30 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

120 City Park Ave
New Orleans, LA 70119

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Albert the Great Catholic Student Center
409 W. Dakota St.
Hammond, LA 70401

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

OCT 8. 12:30 PM (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery
120 City Park Ave
New Orleans, LA 70119

Tribute Wall

BC

“ Ben and Sharon Campbell purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler.



Ben and Sharon Campbell - October 07, 2022 at 08:10 AM

HM

“ Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.



I have many fond memories of cousin Le Le and her passion for animals and horses. She taught me about horses and riding. Her children and their families expressed their deep love and commitment to family by taking care of her to stay at home. My prayers are with all tonight. Rest in Peace and God Bless

Hester Marla - October 06, 2022 at 09:14 PM

HR

“ Hester Marla Gilliam & Mom/Mary RIP purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler.



Hester Marla Gilliam & Mom/Mary RIP - October 06, 2022 at 09:03 PM

JA

“ *Jutze, Kopfler & Associates purchased the Sweet est Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler.*



Jutze, Kopfler & Associates - October 06, 2022 at 02:38 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler.*



October 06, 2022 at 02:12 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eliska "Le Le" Lawrence Kopfler.*



October 05, 2022 at 10:57 PM

MR

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Mittie Rohner - October 05, 2022 at 08:11 AM

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