



Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks

March 20, 1964 - November 15, 2016

Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks (b. 3-20-1964 d. 11-15-2016) of New York City died in Lima, Peru.

She was the beloved wife of William Ben Brooks of Oklahoma and NYC, the daughter of Stanley Allen Masters II and the late Patricia Lynn Alexander Masters, sister of Stephen Allen Masters and Mark Alexander Masters and his wife, Sherry Ball Masters, the aunt of Ian Alexander Masters and Eli David Masters; with Aunts Betty Nelon Gaddy and Margaret Alexander Bell. Her death is mourned by two sister-in-laws and their husbands, Claudia and Stan Kittrell, and Rebecca and Wade Brawley; and nieces and nephews Christopher, Phares, Heidi and Rosie June Chappell, Emily Kittrell, Parker Brawley and Rachel Brawley.

She was born in Omaha, Nebraska, grew up in Asheville and spent most of her adult life in NYC. She attended Asheville City Schools and Appalachian State University graduating with a degree in Journalism with minors in both Broadcasting and Modern Dance. In 1983 she was awarded the Miss Asheville title. She started her career in broadcasting in Asheville with local radio before moving to NYC to begin her modeling career.

The family seized every opportunity to give support, cheering her on with every runway assignment, print advertisement, movie, television show, commercial and magazine feature.

Lisa was a colleague, employee, instructor, coach and friend to many.

Known as a talented and beautiful model, she worked all over the world while still sharing her experience with others through her numerous workshops and her inspirational/instructional book "How To Make Money Modeling: at any age, height, or size".

Masters was employed by Gotham Talent Agency, and Prestige Management Group in NYC. Her multiple acting credits include major motion pictures; The Stepford Wives, It's Complicated and The Clique. Her major television credits included Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt, Law & Order: Special Victims Unit and Criminal Intent, Ugly Betty, Royal Pains, Hope and Faith, Gossip Girl, Nashville to name a few, and the NY indie films Blumenthal, The Girl in The Book and The Fish Bowl.

The family is grateful for the many expressions of loving concern from friends, neighbors, classmates and Lisa's work industry. Christopher Silveri, her agent, said: "As to her husband and family's wishes, we hope that the industry can mourn her death without details," Masters' manager said in a statement to ET on Friday. "In these darkening days, we hope those who have had the pleasure of knowing her will see how brightly she shined and will find that light within themselves and continue to share it with others -- just as she would have."

She was graced with outward beauty and the family is comforted by the many expressions from individuals that shared how she graced life with the sensitivity of caring for those who felt marginalized. Lisa was an advocate for AA, giving encouragement to others along the way, having faced an addiction. She suffered from depression, and for years bravely placed one foot in front of the other, leaning into the responsibilities of her days, doing the next thing, until life became too heavy.

The family takes comfort embracing the God who created all things and all people, Who understands hearts and is not limited today in giving comfort and guidance. A memorial service of Christian faith will be held in the Chapel of the First Baptist Church, 5 Oak Street, Asheville, North Carolina on Thursday, December 1, 2016 at 11:00 AM. A private burial service will take place for the family.

In lieu of flowers the family asks you to consider a donation to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, www.afsp.org.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Asheville
5 Oak Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one. There is a very comforting scripture at Isaiah 25:8. It says that soon Jehovah will swallow up death forever and that he will wipe away all of the tears. So we can all look forward to a time when death will be no more. I hope that this scripture can bring some true comfort during these difficult times.*

kayla - December 21, 2016 at 10:09 AM



“ *I remember Lisa as a camper at Little Beaver Day Camp. She was a quite and sweet little girl, and always a pleasure to have around.*

Cheryl "Moody" Fore - December 04, 2016 at 02:54 PM



“ *White Mum and Light Blue Hydrangea Mix (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks.*



December 01, 2016 at 09:54 AM

NB

“ Even though I did not know Lisa, I grew up in Ardmore and knew of the Brooks Family. I myself am a Brooks. I lost my son in 2002 to suicide and shared it with the Edmond, Ok. community to show that he was a brilliant light and worked very hard at keeping his head high as his friends knew and that there was no shame in someone's pain. I have 6 friends who have also lost their adult children. I am a retired School Psychologist and have learned to equate it with the Icarus effect. The brilliant, lovely souls inside and out and sensitive ones fly high to the sun and burn out too soon. The portrait in the Louvre is my favorite illustration of that. Bless your family and friends Nanci Jones



Nanci Brooks - December 01, 2016 at 03:51 AM

NB

“ Nanci Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks



Nanci Brooks - December 01, 2016 at 03:44 AM

TP

“ Tim & Dina Kincaid and Larry Pettit purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks.



Tim & Dina Kincaid and Larry Pettit - November 30, 2016 at 05:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks.



November 30, 2016 at 12:06 PM



“ *We are very sorry for your loss. Please rest assured that your friends and family want to be there for you during this difficult time. Like it says at Proverbs 17:17, "A true friend is loving at all times, and is a brother who is born during times of distress." For added comfort, please throw all of your current anxieties on God because He does care for you (1 Peter 5:7). May your loving memories bring you a smile during this trying time. You have our sincerest condolences.*

The Cole Family - November 29, 2016 at 05:53 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lisa Lynn Masters Brooks.



November 29, 2016 at 11:02 AM

PK

“ Prayers to The Masters and Brooks Family. May Our Heavenly Father envelope you in his loving arms and give you the strength to carry you through the next chapters of your lives. God Bless Each of You. William, let go and let others take care of everything for awhile. Take things a day at a time and God will do the rest.

Pamela Kelley - November 28, 2016 at 11:10 PM

PK

“ Heaven has gained a beautiful angel RIP Lisa M.Brooks.



Pamela Kelley - November 28, 2016 at 10:36 PM

Stuart Reinhardt

“ I'm so saddened to hear about our Asheville neighbor, friend, and AHS classmate. Condolences to all of her family and friends.

Stuart Reinhardt - November 28, 2016 at 07:34 PM

AH

“ Thinking of all of our family during this heartbreaking time. Praying for God's sweet comfort. Love, Angela Terrell Holmes

Angela Terrell Holmes - November 28, 2016 at 06:09 PM

ER

“ She lit up the room. She was a great beauty and a kind soul. She seemed to have "everything." I looked up to her. I felt her happiness and worldly success created hope for everyone who got close enough to be warmed by her light.


elizabeth rose - November 28, 2016 at 04:49 PM



Cathy
Towle

“ *Lisa was a bright light, who shared her caring heart with so many. Even if she was feeling down, she always found a way to support those around her with her wisdom and grit. I know my kids always enjoyed the movie nights we shared. Condolences to William and the family for her loss.*

Cathy Towle - November 28, 2016 at 04:25 PM



Darlene
Vanasco

“ *I remember listening to Lisa speak in the rooms of recovery, always moved by her courage and her stories and her laughter. I know she helped many people through her honesty and great big bright spirit. You are loved <3*

Darlene Vanasco - November 28, 2016 at 03:40 PM



SJ

I was blessed to dance with Lisa in high school. She was the essence of beauty and it shown through her like the brightest star that she truly is. She left her luminous energy and warmth everywhere she went . She was and still is what joy is made of and I pray that as God wraps his love around her, she knows that JOY with no question or doubt.

Suzanna Jayne - November 28, 2016 at 04:08 PM



Jennifer
Weiss

Lisa exuded so much warmth and kindness; so much light. We shared a few brunches together with friends in Bklyn. I had always wanted to visit Asheville and she told me all about it, how much she loved it there. My thoughts go to William and their family. She touched so many people with her warmth, humor, and sincerity.

Jennifer Weiss - November 28, 2016 at 10:59 PM



Lisa's presence always brightened my meditations at the meditation center we and William attended. It was always a pleasure to experience her warmth when we interacted beforehand and afterward. I send gratitude and love to her, as well as to William and the family

Bruce Markow - November 29, 2016 at 03:01 PM



Whenever I think about Lisa, I am reminded of our fun college days together; football games, spur of the minute beach trips, listening to Stevie tear the harmonica up on stage. Kappa Sig Little Sister, Lisa, exuded warmth, graciousness, and sweetness to all then and seems by all comments your kind nature was shared with all throughout your short life. I hope, my old friend, you are now at peace and embraced in the warmth and love you so graciously shared with those you touched in life. Julie Jarrett

Julie Jarrett - November 29, 2016 at 08:39 PM



Allen old friend, I wish for you and yours rest and peace during this most difficult time.

Woody Giezentanner

Woody Giezentanner - November 30, 2016 at 07:01 AM