



Charlotte Louise Kirsch

September 16, 1926 - May 9, 2021

Charlotte Louise (Kunz) Kirsch (Liz), passed away on May 9, 2021, in the Manassas, VA residence that she called home for the last 53 years.

She was born September 16, 1926 in Erie, PA, the youngest daughter of the late Anton and Margaret Daniels Kunz. Her marriage to John Mitchell Kirsch (Jack), her childhood sweetheart, on August 9, 1948, lasted almost 73 years until his recent passing on April 22, 2021. During Jack's 27 year tenure as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Kirsches were stationed in Los Angeles and San Francisco, CA; Washington, DC; Chicago, IL; Pittsburgh, PA; and finally Quantico, VA. It was often up to Mrs. Kirsch to pack up and sell the house and then move her three children to the next location after Jack had been transferred and had gone ahead to his next assignment.

She enjoyed reading, jigsaw puzzles, playing card games with friends and family, and working all types of crossword puzzles, especially the weekly puzzle in the Sunday newspaper. An avid bowler, she once rolled a two-game, 400 series as a teenager and competed in bowling leagues in Manassas for many years. Mrs. Kirsch also had a love of baseball based upon her father having pitched in the minor leagues. Mrs. Kirsch enjoyed crafts, sewing and needlework of any kind, excelling in the arts of crewel and needlepoint, creating items of beauty for her home, family and friends. As a homemaker

and stay at home mom, she raised her children, loved her husband and was the true heart of the family.

She is survived by daughter Gretchen L. Kirsch of Haymarket, VA; son John M. Kirsch, Jr. (Jane) of Fairfax, VA; son Daniel J. Kirsch (Melinda) and twin grandsons Jackson R. Kirsch and Ethan D. Kirsch of Bristow, VA; nephew William A. Storten (Susan) of Erie, PA; and niece Barbara Neuburger (James) of Fairview, PA. Mrs. Kirsch was preceded in death by her older sister, Frances D. Storten, and her brother-in-law, William J. Storten, also of Erie, PA.

A private funeral Mass will be held at All Saints Catholic Church on May 21, 2021 at 10:00 am, and will be streamed live at <https://youtu.be/pFDG9JxVKrw>. Burial at Quantico National Cemetery on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 11:00 AM.

Expressions of sympathy may be made through donations to the Former Agents of the FBI Foundation for the George A. Zeiss Memorial Scholarship Fund (3717 Fettle Park Drive, Dumfries, VA 22025 or www.socxfbi.org).

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

All Saints Catholic Church
9300 Stonewall Rd
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 368-4500

Graveside Services

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172-1636
(703) 221-2183

Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Gretchen, Mitch and Dan. We are so very sorry to hear your mom passed so soon after your dads passing. You are in our prayers*

Jane Simpson

Jane Simpson - May 19, 2021 at 09:42 PM

CE

“ *Dear Gretchen and family,*

So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing so soon after your Dad's. They were always together and somehow although hard to reason, after such a long marriage, she joined him.

Will be praying for you all to get through the days ahead with peace and comfort knowing they are reunited.

Cece

cecilia - May 19, 2021 at 03:54 PM

VH

“ Dear Gretchen (and family),

I was so sorry to hear about the loss of your mom so soon after your dad's passing. From the summer before seventh grade (we were only 11!) through many future years living right down the street from you, your mom was always a wonderful, kind, welcoming mother figure to me.

I knew I could walk up the street any time and be welcome to stay for as long as you and I wanted to hang out, including many sleepovers.

Treats were always available as were eventual strawberry daiquiris which your dad would joke were complete with a thimble full of rum! I have so many special memories hanging out at your house on our street!

Your parents were amazingly good people, great parents, and friends to many. They will be sorely missed by those they left behind. We all grieve for them but know they are in a better, happy place which they so richly deserve, now free of the bonds of end of life challenges, soaring to a blessed, happy eternity.

With love,

Vicki Walker Huber

Vicki Huber - May 18, 2021 at 04:35 PM

AV

“Gretchen, I can't even begin to explain how sorry Charlie and I are for the loss of your mother and your father. Your mom was the quiet calming voice of the family and as they say, still waters run deep. It's impossible to capture everything she contributed to your family and to everyone she knew. She was a private person but never hesitated to share her vast knowledge and experience with you if you needed help or an encouraging word. Long ago after we looked for what seemed like hours for your car after one of our Redskin games I had the pleasure of joining your folks for a home cooked dinner. It was chicken and rice and believe it or not, the first time I had rice! Belgians aren't exactly known for rice dishes. I called your mom a couple of weeks later for the recipe and she happily obliged. She called the dish forgettable chicken and I've been making it for years now and it's always a hit. I told your mom that it's UNFORGETTABLE chicken after I made it and she laughed probably thinking I was a little crazy. I've always given her credit when others tell me how much they like it. Rest assured that she is also UNFORGETTABLE for more than you can imagine and will always be remembered for the example of elegance she radiated on a daily basis. Our sympathies go out to you and your family. Both of your parents will be fondly remembered.

Annie Verdonck - May 18, 2021 at 10:22 AM

KL

Gretchen,
I am so sorry for the loss of your precious Mom and your Dad just a few weeks ago. I can't even imagine the pain and grief you must be feeling. Sending you love and hugs at this very difficult time. They were blessed to have you as their loving and devoted daughter. Many prayers to you and your family. Kate Litton.

kate litton - May 18, 2021 at 12:15 PM

JC

As hard as it is to say goodbye to a special friend, we understand your wanting to be with your soulmate and the love of your life. We have so many happy times to remember both you and Jack. Thank you for being such a good friend.

Joan & Hal Cockerill

Joan Cockerill - May 20, 2021 at 04:08 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charlotte Louise Kirsch.*



May 18, 2021 at 12:32 AM