



Garland Laurin Wheeler

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Mr. Garland Laurin Wheeler, 62 of Fayetteville, AR died peacefully November 9, 2003 in Springdale. He was born January 9, 1941 in Alachua, FL to Garland and Mary (McLaurin) Wheeler.

He was an associate professor of Horticulture at the University of Arkansas for 22 years and a former peace core volunteer in Chile.

After his retirement he continued his interest in gardening, wildflowers and trekking in the woods. He gave his time to the Fayetteville international community and environmental causes.

Survivors include his wife of 35 years, Elizabeth Wheeler; his children, Kim Abel of Fayetteville and Kenneth Wheeler of Nashville, TN, his brother John Wheeler of Washington D.C., his sister, Lois Brummitt of Greensboro, N.C. and a large extended family.

Memorial services will be held Monday, November 17, 2003 at 10:00 AM in Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel in Fayetteville with Rev. John E. King officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Arkansas-East Bolivia Partners of the Americas, c/o Bob Frans, 276 Altheimer Dr., Fayetteville, AR 72703 or the Foundation for the International Exchange of Students, c/o M.L. Gray, 3175 Katherine, Fayetteville, AR 72703.

Visitation Date Time No Visitation will be held Visitation Location Service Date Time Monday, November 17, 2003 10:00 AM Service Location Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel



Tribute Wall

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MP

Mary Richardson (Friend Of Kenny, And Phaedra) posted:

My positive thoughts, and blessings go to Mr. Wheelers family.

August 30 at 10:10 AM

TS

Tenessa Porterfield (Friend Of Kenny And Phaedra's) posted:

I can't begin to understand what it feels like to lose someone that is such an integral part of your life. A man that was a life long partner, friend, father and more to so many people. My heart and prayers are with Kenny and his family during such a difficult time. Only the passing of time can ease the pain of his passing and hopefully bring all the terrific memories with it. Much love.

August 30 at 10:10 AM

MF

Margo Clark And Clay Fulcher posted:

It is difficult to find words to express the sadness of losing Laurin. A bigger than life bear of a man, he leaves mighty big shoes to fill! We will miss chef Laurin and his new french recipes, plant man Laurin, community activist Laurin, politically involved Laurin, the way his african violets always looked, his most special rock garden, and his stories told from one end of the table, just to name a few things. Most of all we will miss him being in the wonderfully warm and always welcoming home he shared with Libby. Right now, our hearts ache with Libby's. We will go on remembering all those good times. Margo and Clay

August 30 at 10:10 AM

PA

Patt Milam (Phaedra's Aunt) posted:

You are in my heart and in my prayers. It was good to give Kenny a hug, and a visit, tho it was too short. love, Patt

August 30 at 10:10 AM



PL

Phaedra (Daughter-In-Law) posted:

It certainly seems too soon, but I don't regret any time spent. I truly feel like I got the most out of every visit, every debate, every bear hug. I know that he knew we loved him... we told him at the end of each trip, each phone call. I know he respected and was proud of Kenny. They had become so much closer as men. I know he leaves a legacy of bold words and unique ideas. I will forever be reminded of him in coffee, roadside BBQ, plants, red plaid, public broadcast radio, booming male voices, and so much more. I'll miss him immensely and will continue to hold the entire family in my heart and my prayers. May peace grow out of the sorrow.

August 30 at 10:10 AM

SA

ShirI St.Clair (Acquaintance) posted:

Libby, We are so sorry for your deep loss. We know that it will be a long time before the ache begins to subside, but we want you to know we continue to hold you in our hearts and in our prayers. We are praying that the time spent in grief will be no longer than it has to be and that the days of remembering the good times will come soon and last forever. With deepest sympathy,
Donna and Mark Russell

August 30 at 10:10 AM

BA

Beth Eagles (Acquaintance) posted:

My deepest sympathy to Libby. Laurin was always available to answer our Horticulturally related questions and was such a fascinating man. He will definitely be missed.

August 30 at 10:10 AM

PF

Pam Stiles Delaney (Friend) posted:

Libby, I'm so sorry you've lost your husband. I know you were very close and have a lot of good memories to sustain you. Pam

August 30 at 10:10 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Garland by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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