



Lucy Reid Rausch

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Lucy Reid Rausch passed away peacefully on July 30, 2020 in Covington, Louisiana at the age of 95.

Lucy was born on November 20, 1924 in Amite, Louisiana to Shelby Seymour Reid and Lucy Folkes Reid. She is preceded in passing by her husband, former Louisiana state representative Erwin James Rausch, her daughter Lucy “LuLu” Rausch Parker, her parents, her brothers Shelby S. Reid Jr. and Davis F. Reid, and nephews Shelby S. Reid III and Davis F. Reid Jr. She is survived by her son John Reid Rausch (Constance), granddaughter Caroline Folkes Rausch, son-in-law Joseph E. Parker and nephews Larry, Jimmy, Mike and Chuck Reid.

Lucy was a devout member of Christ Episcopal Church in Covington and Emanuel Episcopal Church in Houston, Texas.

After growing up in Amite, Louisiana and graduating from Amite High School and attending Southeast Louisiana University and Louisiana State University, Lucy began her forty-five year career of service to the State of Louisiana. After working in the office of the St. Tammany Parish Clerk of Court, Lucy was the first woman elected Clerk of Court of St. Tammany Parish, where she served for twenty years. As Clerk of Court, she oversaw the evolution of the Clerk’s office and functionality from manual to electronic communication and record keeping. Her tenure is remarkable for its professionalism, respect for constituents, impeccable performance and her down-to-earth friendly smile and manner. In 1995, Lucy retired so she could dedicate time to her infant granddaughter, Caroline. She remained a lifelong democrat.

After Lucy’s home in Covington was damaged in Hurricane Katrina, she moved to a retirement community in Houston to be near her daughter, LuLu. She relocated to Covington shortly before her passing.

Lucy’s favorite mission and accomplishment was the nurturing of LuLu and John into the wonderful people they became and to have a similar role in Caroline’s life. She is remembered for



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her love of her family, her compassion and benevolence, her intelligent wit and her steadfast reliability.

Memorial services will be at a future date.



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LS

Leslie Bogran Southerland posted:

John and Connie, Thinking of you. My sympathies. Love always, Leslie

August 20 at 4:18 AM

LA

Leslie Ackel posted:

Dear Family of Lucy Rausch, I did not know Lucy, but as President of the local United Daughters of the Confederacy Chapter here in Covington, I was recently given a box of papers from the home of a Mrs. Bertha Neff, who I understand worked in the Clerk of Court's office for some 16 years beginning in the early 1950's. In this box are the papers of the establishment of a "new" chapter of the UDC, The Leonidas Polk Chapter. The Chapter was chartered in 1955, and Lucy Rausch was a charter member of this chapter. In the box are the original membership papers of all the charter members, Lucy being one, which claim her direct lineage to her Confederate ancestry. Mrs. Neff and Mrs. Rausch must have been close friends and I assume, worked side by side in the clerk's office. If the family has any want of Mrs. Rausch's UDC paperwork, you may contact me via email at leslieackeludc@gmail.com. Sincerely, Leslie J. Ackel LA UDC St. Tammany Greys Chapter #2488/president418 E. 1st Ave. Covington, LA, 70433

August 18 at 11:30 AM

ED

Elaine Dimiceli posted:

RIP Ms. Lucy You were an inspiration to young women. Elaine Dimiceli

August 12 at 11:42 AM

DA

Danny And Lise' Ayers posted:

John, It's your friends Lise' and Danny Ayers. Your Mom was a wonderful lady who touched many lives. She will be missed until that day when we all meet in heaven.

August 10 at 9:50 PM

RP

Ruth Perrilloux lit a candle in honor of Lucy.

So very sorry to hear of Lucy's passing. She was a strong person under that quiet persona, I wish we had more public figures that cared about this country as she did. Such a nice person. I think she listened with her heart. I worked for Lucy for 18 years and I can tell you folks like her will be sorely missed....



August 10 at 4:44 AM



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PL

Pinky Lewis posted:

Miss Lucy was a such a nice loving woman, my Dad worked with her for many years and became good friends. Praying for strength for your Family. With Deepest Sympathy, The Rollins and Lewis Family

August 10 at 2:42 AM

LB

Leslie Ann Bogran posted:

Miss Lucy will be missed by all who know her. Thinking of you all. Love always. Leslie

August 9 at 7:44 AM

KM

Kathleen Montgomery posted:

Lucy was my neighbor for many, many years. I saw first hand her love and devotion to her husband and children. She was a loving, caring, thoughtful lady who will never be replaced. She and LuLu loved getting decked out for Mardi Gras and enjoyed many vacation trips with her friends. When she moved to Houston to be near LuLu, it broke my heart to see her go but I knew it was for the best. We have lost a great lady. Rest In Peace, Lucy and tell LuLu she is missed also. Bubba, my prayers for your family. ❤️❤️❤️

August 8 at 6:26 AM

BT

Betty Thomas posted:

I worked with Miss Lucy as she was know from day one when was elected as Clerk Of Court. She was a boss you go to with problems and she would come to your rescue. Everyone love Lucy. She will be missed by everyone that ever worked for and with her . I will always miss her. She was a real lady in every way. Betty Thomas

August 7 at 12:56 PM

JH

Jeannie & Harold Hanson posted:

We were so sorry to hear the sad news of Lucy's passing. She was truly one of the nicest people I ever met and became friends with over the years after first moving here back in 1971. She will always be remembered, and sadly missed by many. Our sincere condolences go out to her entire family!Jeannie & Harold Hanson

August 7 at 12:27 PM



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JG

John Greene posted:

The first day in the courthouse after being elected Judge, Lucy informed me that she had selected deputy clerks to work with me. She said all of her staff were excellent employees and I would enjoy working with them. Boy, was she correct. Lucy was always readily available to help all our judges with whatever they needed from the Clerk's office. She was like a sweet aunt to me. You don't find too many people like Lucy who are quietly intelligent, loyal, easy to work with and much loved by everyone she came into contact with. She was quite a lady and will be sorely missed. Judge John Greene

August 7 at 10:42 AM

PL

Priscilla Lee posted:

Ms. Lucy was a wonderful and graceful boss and a "Great Lady to me. I am very thankful to have the opportunity to work under her reign (Criminal Division) for 9.5 years. She will truly be miss by the majority of St. Tammany Parish residents. Priscilla Alford-Lee

August 7 at 8:16 AM

KJ

Kim R Jenkins posted:

Mrs Lucy was such a sweet lady. Very professional, but always personable. She always took time out of her day to tell you Hello and chat a minute. She will sadly be missed.

August 7 at 8:05 AM

CC

Cheryl Mc Cain posted:

I started working for Ms Lucy shortly after she took office and continued until she retired. What i remember most was her warm smile and gentle way She was a caring boss and always a Lady. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. I will always remember her fondly

August 6 at 6:15 PM

AS

Angie Sterken posted:

Ms. Lucy was my boss for twelve years. I loved her as a boss and friend. The last time I spoke with her on the phone, she was living in Houston. She was a wonderful person, I was blessed to have known her. I will pray for her family. I know she will be missed.

August 6 at 5:37 PM



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GB

Gwendolyn Ross-Bell posted:

Gratefully, Many share "With Grateful Appreciation" for Servant Service. May God Be Enduring Strength for The Family. Gwendolyn Ross-Bell, Hammond, LA.

August 6 at 5:28 PM

DS

Donna Singletary posted:

My family and I loved Ms. Lucy. I already miss our telephone calls and I enjoyed our holiday correspondents so much and always looked forward to them. But holidays were not the same for Ms. Lucy, after Lu 's passing! Some of her last words to me, was Donna, I am on a Walker all the time. I know she didn't want this, because she was always so neat in her high heels and mink shoes! Oh I loved her we shared some personal moments. May she rest in peace and be with Lulu laughing!

August 6 at 9:31 AM

VG

Vicky Glass August 13 at 11:59 AM

John and Family , I am so sorry to hear of our sweet Mrs. Lucy . She was one awesome sweet lady with so much class. . I can proudly she was one awesome boss to work for . I loved the awesome times we had on our fun filled conventions. Our last one together along with LuLu was located in N.O. I would never forget that night , with LuLu showing all of us a fantastic night in the quarter , oh how your mother was such a trooper , she hung with us which made our night extra special . We never laughed so hard that night . Those are the special moments that makes me smile in remembrance of our sweet Mrs. Lucy . Take Care ❤️

BD

Bill Dobson August 6 at 12:58 PM

Everyone who knew her loved Mrs. Lucy. She will be missed by many. May she Rest In Peace. She and Lulu are together again! ❤️

MS

Margaret Stein posted:

I am so sad to hear of Mrs. Lucy's passing. I love her. She was a wonderful, sweet, kind person. She was loved by everyone and will be missed. Sending love to LuLu and John.

August 6 at 6:29 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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