



Lois Yake Kenagy

August 28, 1926 - May 11, 2019

Lois Y. Kenagy, age 92, of Albany, died Saturday, May 11, 2019 at the Mennonite Home, Mary's Place. Please share your thoughts and memoires for the family at www.demossturidan.com

Tribute Wall

RR

“ I am sorry for the great loss of your mother and friend and mentor to many.

Unfortunately I will not be able to attend her memorial service since I will be out of town,

but I wanted to share how much of a role model and mentor she was to me in developing my renewed Christian faith. Her own deep faith and commitment to peace and justice were very inspiring to me. I got to know her when I became involved with a group called New Call to Peacemaking made up of the three historic peace churches. Her leadership was awe inspiring and helped me to form my own commitment to social justice and peace in a biblical context. She also lead a small faith sharing study group I was part of and I truly had nothing but the greatest respect for her.

While I lost touch with her and really your whole family over the years my memories of her and your whole family are things I cherish.

God's peace be with you all.

Richard Rahmun

Richard Rahmun - June 25, 2019 at 07:33 PM

DW

“ Lois Kenagy was a help to us in the 1970's in opening our eyes and heart to the LGBT community. Thank you again.

Please say hello to one of my favorite people, Susan Tripp....thank you. David Wilson.

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David Wilson - May 29, 2019 at 06:58 PM

TL

“ I will always consider myself simply lucky and blessed to have grown up as part of a faith community that included, and more often led by, Lois. She was fiercely vocal with her passions and commitments, and I learned quickly that she was a presence that deserved consideration and respect. As a child and through my teens, I was always aware of her vocal advocacy for the underserved, the unprivileged, and those too often cast aside by the majorities. And throughout those years, I felt a bond of love as she supported my family and me personally through those typical family struggles. I grew up, moved on from Albany, and on from that faith community. But forever grateful from where I came from; Lois shares significantly in that composition that made me who I am today. A beautiful woman with a voice that matched her perfectly. My best to you all.

Todd Landis

Todd Landis - May 21, 2019 at 04:04 PM

TJ

“ Lois is the reason I have become an out and loud ally to the LGBTQ+ Community. She was an absolutely amazing woman. Many years ago she came to where I work to talk about the organization she was leading, PFLAG Corvallis/Albany. After I asked several pointed questions about the organization, she challenged me to attend a meeting. I did and never looked back. She was a fiercely passionate woman and had a heart so much bigger than could be contained in her small stature. I look back on the time we got to work together fondly. There was no better leader to our small group than Lois. You were an amazing and fantastic woman, Lois, and you will be missed greatly by so many. Thank you for leading such an important and influential life. Most of us will never have the positive impact on the world around us like you did. My thoughts and my heart go out to your family.

Tom Johnston - May 17, 2019 at 11:25 AM

JM

“ My childhood is filled with memories of Lois and the family. Such fond memories. So many times we visited your home and Lois was always such a great host. Playing in the house, the yard or picking strawberries. I loved how Lois was never afraid to speak her mind even when went against the masses. She was a beautiful soul. My heartfelt condolences to Suzanne, Peter and Marguerite. May God help you find peace in your memories and love from her.

Jeanne Mann - May 14, 2019 at 04:16 PM

DH

“ I remember Lois, her courage, and her wisdom on our 1983 trip to Nicaragua, an eye-opening and challenging experience for all of us. She was a woman of boundless energy and fruitful ideas who lived a good life. I'm proud to have known her.

Dianne Walta Hart

Dianne Walta Hart - May 14, 2019 at 11:26 AM