

FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: In Memory of Lori Julius-Walker

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Leora (Lori) Julius-Walker

Spouse: Curtis Walker

Birthdate: September 5, 1955

Blessing: April 20, 1998

Ascension: February 22, 2024

Seonghwa Ceremony: February 27, 2024

Born on Monday, September 5, 1955, to her parents--Henry and Lillian Julius--Leora (Lori) Julius-Walker was the second of two daughters and the ninth of ten siblings. When her older sister, Beverly, was killed in a tragic household accident at the age of 10, Lori became the only sister of eight brothers at two years old. In this position, Lori learned to stand her ground and to carve out her own place and identity within the Julius household.

The values embraced by her Baptist-Christian parents would guide Lori throughout her middle-school and

high-school years, and classmates in both Pipestone, Minnesota and Jasper, Minnesota gained great respect for Lori and for the moral and ethical choices she was known to make. Lori's mother, Lillian, was a fervent Bible student, and this would rub off on Lori in significant ways.

As humble, sincere, hard-working, and patriotic farmers, Lori's parents set good examples for her. Lori came to know and to love Jesus, and she made Jesus the Lord of her life while still in her early teens. Evangelist Billy Graham's crusades and writings had a strong impact upon Lori's life.

At the age of twenty-one, while traveling through Wyoming, Lori met a Shelly Watanabe, a member of the Unification Movement. They struck up a friendship, and through this, Lori met the Divine Principle and True Parents. Lori's spirit resonated with the teachings, and she committed her life to attending True Parents.

Despite various spiritual "bumps in the road," Lori participated in the Marriage Blessing in 1995. The subsequent challenges proved too overwhelming, however, and that relationship dissolved. While working alongside Nora Spurgin and with WORLD and I MAGAZINE, Lori kept her faith in the ideal of Blessed Marriage.

During the Christmas season of 1997, a mutual friend, Victor Matos, told Lori of a brother in Houston, Texas who was interested in rematching and re-blessing. Victor gave Lori's phone number to Curtis Walker in Houston, and Curtis called and introduced himself to Lori. To make a long story short, Curtis and Lori were rematched and re-blessed in Houston, Texas on April 20, 1998, by Pastor Ichinori and Vera Tsumagari. Curtis and Lori are participants in the 2075 Couples' Blessing.

What has followed has been twenty-six years of ever-increasing love and passion between them, as they dealt with healing the man-woman and Black-White providential histories, while growing closer to God and to True Parents as a couple.

There are no words for how much Curtis will miss her. They had just returned from the Las Vegas Cheong Shim Won session of January 14 - January 20, 2024, when Lori suddenly took ill. She had been fighting Neuroendocrine cancer since 2016. May Heaven open wide His arms of welcome, as Lori returns home on the wings of love.

Seonghwa Ceremony

Date: Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Cards and condolences may be sent to the family at:

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