



Lillian Douglas Andrew

November 19, 1921 - December 8, 2020

Lillian Douglas Andrew was born to Bettie Brown Board and Charles A. Douglas in Lynch Station, Virginia on November 19, 1921 and died December 8, 2020.

Lil was married to the late Wallace Franklin Andrew who died in 1996.

She was graduated from Altavista High School in 1937, and from the College of William and Mary in 1941. She worked for the FBI in Washington, DC, from 1941 to 1944, and then returned home to teach at Altavista High School. She taught at Altavista High School for thirty years, coached basketball, debate, forensics, and loved it.

She and Wallace were married February 23, 1946, after Wallace returned home from serving in the Pacific Theater during World War II. They had three children, Lynn Andrew Hanson, Wallace Franklin Andrew, Jr., MD, and his wife, Kathy, and Charles Douglas Andrew and his wife, Suzanne; eight grandchildren, Ruth Andrew Ellenson; Rabbi Micah Samuel Ellenson and his wife, Sara; Ashley Andrew Silverman and her husband, William; Douglas Lanahan Andrew and his wife, Katherine; Megan Andrew Dunay, MD, and her husband, Matthew; Ross Gilbert Andrew, Ph.D., and his fiancé, Kaytlin Burton; Micah Grace Andrews; and Leah Marie Andrews; and nine great-grandchildren, Wally, Whit, and Andrew Silverman; Lily and Rose Ellenson; Tatum, Harper, and Wise Andrew; and Teddy Dunay.

Lil was a lifelong member of her beloved Mount Hermon United Methodist Church where she served in various capacities.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Mount Hermon United Methodist Church, 171 Mount Hermon Rd., Lynch Station, VA 24571.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a private family service is planned for this weekend, and a memorial service will be planned in the future.

You may pay respects to Mrs. Andrew from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. Friday, December, 11, 2020 at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista.

Cemetery

Mount Hermon United Methodist Church Cemetery

171 Mount Hermon Rd.
Lynch Station, VA, 24571

Events

NOV	Memorial Service	11:00AM
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	Mount Hermon United Methodist Church 171 Mount Hermon Rd., Lynch Station, VA, US, 24571	

Comments



“ I have a few favorite memories of Lil but one of my top fave is getting to play bridge with her and her girlfriends. Super competitive, such a force of life. Lil was a great lady. She will be missed

Lauren Andrew - February 19 at 07:50 PM



“ Lil and her family were great friends of my family when we lived in Altavista. She was my best friend Spike's mother and she always treated me like one of her kids. Sweet sweet lady. My condolences to Spike, Frank, Lynne and their families.
Carl Johnson

Carl Herndon Johnson - January 31 at 09:22 PM



“ For many years, Wallace and Lil were the heartbeat of Altavista. They made a great team and everyone loved them. Mrs. Andrew was my history teacher when I came back to Altavista with a broken leg from football. Everyone loved Mrs. Andrew (including me). So when Mr. Cline called her to his office and she came back crying, and put her head down on her desk, it broke my heart! I didn't know what to do, but I went up to her desk (crutches and all) and said the only thing I could think of to say at the time. "Mrs. Andrew, would you like for me to go whip Mr. Cline for you?" Well she looked at me standing there on crutches and started laughing. Every time I saw her after that she would come up to me and say "Bozie, do you remember when you offered to whip Mr. Cline for me?" At that age I guess I never thought much about the consequences of my actions.

Beau Lane - December 24, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ My father, Courtney Wayne Coffey of Roanoke, Virginia, age 75 and formerly of Altavista, Virginia, wanted me to type this message for him because he is unable to use a computer. My dad graduated from Altavista High School in 1964. My dad said Ms. Andrew was his favorite teacher! My dad was in his Junior Class play ("Here's comes Charlie"), which Ms. Andrew was in charge of.

Dwayne Coffey

Dwayne Coffey - December 23, 2020 at 02:21 PM



“ Kenneth R Martin lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Kenneth R Martin - December 22, 2020 at 07:15 PM



“ Lillian taught me English when I was a freshman at Altavista High School. Her mother, Mrs. Douglas, was my fourth grade teacher and a friend of my family, who you may know as the “Flat” Hogan family. I loved them both. In sympathy for your loss, Jean Hogan Tanner, Vero Beach, Florida

Jean Tanner - December 22, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ Andrew Family, my sincere sympathy and love are being sent to you on the death of Ms. Andrew. She was one of the most influential people in my life. As my teacher, she showed me how much she cared for me and wanted the best for her students. She was a lovely lady! Pat deBernard

Pat deBernard - December 18, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ Dear Miss Lynn, Spike and Family
Miss Andrew instilled in me that it was certainly OK to just be myself! She taught me that if I could accept that I was Ok.....then everybody else would be ok with me. Doesn't sound like a lot but to me it was the world! She was an amazing teacher that truly "felt" for me as a student, and truly cared that everybody was different, but always treated everyone equally. No matter rich or poor, smart or challenged.....she NEVER saw that! She wanted her students to learn...not just for a class period...but for life. I can't say what Miss Andrew meant to me. She was such a genuine person....and she wanted you to be the same in return. Wow.....what a lesson she taught us all in her own life....her beliefs, her philosophy, marriage, parenthood, career and her God. She was real. I loved her and loved and appreciated the fact that she helped my parents when they were in need also as students of hers as well. I am so sorry for the family and the difficult days that's ahead.....but you have to be so proud of who your Mom was and the impact she's always made on her community.



GLEND A C WOOD - December 16, 2020 at 12:01 AM



“ Paul And Jean VanKerckhove II lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Paul and Jean VanKerckhove II - December 14, 2020 at 10:12 AM



“ With deepest sympathy on the loss of Mrs Andrews she was one of my favorite teachers and helped all her students be the best they could be.
Jan Deese Bryant and family

Jan Bryant - December 13, 2020 at 04:47 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Funeral Service



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral and Cremation Service - December 12, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ Deepest sympathy to the family
Nancy Mitchell Ashwell



Nancy Mitchell Ashwell - December 12, 2020 at 07:35 PM



“ Spike, Lynn, Frank and Families, Mrs. Andrew was one of the best teachers at AHS and I was blessed to be in her classroom where she made learning fun! A class I always enjoyed attending. She was always patient and kind with a quick wit and smile! Thoughts and prayers to all! Sincerely, Debbie Shelton

Deborah Shelton - December 12, 2020 at 07:20 PM



“ Lynn, Wallace (I still want to call you Frank), Spike and your families, my deepest condolences on the loss of a treasure to you, Lil's friends, education and the Altavista community. She was a marvelous teacher, and I was fortunate to have her as my government teacher at AHS in the mid'60s. She sparked an interest in local, national and international affairs that has lasted all these years and nudged me into the field of journalism for 35 years. She also was a dear friend of my mom's and spoke at her funeral. What a smart, funny and very wise woman. How lucky you were to have her with you until she was 99.

Kay Tucker Addis - December 12, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ What wonderful memories I will hold in having Lil has my teacher at AHS and my Dad sharing memories of going to school with her and then she being his teacher his last year in high school. It was always so great to see her and that smile. Thinking of all the family in your loss.



Susan Krantz - December 11, 2020 at 07:31 PM



“ Lil was amazing. We taught on the same hall at AHS. She was so kind to me as a new teacher. Her wit, intellect and generosity made her very special to all who were privileged to know her!!

Laney Thompson - December 11, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ Sending up prayers for the family Mrs Andrews was a wonderful teacher and a blessing to us all love Erma jean

erm reynolds - December 11, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ My very special Aunt with a heart of gold, her grace and wisdom, her love of family and life, and love for her fellow man. We all miss you Lil.

lon andrew - December 11, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ Don And Dale Webb lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Don and Dale Webb - December 11, 2020 at 11:12 AM



“ Darlene M. Robertson lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



darlene m. robertson - December 11, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ Sincere prayers of sympathy to Lynn, Frank, Spike and your families in the loss of one so dear to all she met these past years. No greater friend, neighbor or teacher as heaven gained an angel. Darlene & Billy

darlene robertson - December 11, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ An amazing woman, teacher and friend. All loved and respected her. Thanks Mrs. Andrews for your work.

Kyle Goldsmith - December 11, 2020 at 01:46 PM



“ I have such fond memories of playing golf with Lil when I was just a beginner and she always found nice things to say. All of us should be such encouragers! A life well lived!

Jane Young - December 11, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ It's like the end of an era with the passing of Lil Andrew, an era of a teacher whose love for students, dedication to their successful futures is known by many who were fortunate enough to have her as their history teacher. My sincere sympathy to her family. Carol Brown Willis

Carol Brown Willis - December 11, 2020 at 05:27 PM



“ Remember her growing up. Friends of my parents. Her infectious smile and laugh. Regards and prayers to family.

Tobie church Bentz - December 11, 2020 at 07:38 AM



“ Such a wonderful and inspiring teacher. Prayers for comfort an strength to the family.



Janet Thurman - December 11, 2020 at 07:21 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the family.



Kay and Ray Caldwell - December 11, 2020 at 07:20 AM



“ April Milton lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



April Milton - December 11, 2020 at 07:07 AM



“ Dear Andrew Family. I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Mrs. Andrew. She was such a compassionate and understanding teacher. She was one of my favorite teachers of all time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Mrs. Andrew, May you Rest In Peace.
Sincerely,
Dennis DeLappe

Dennis B DeLappe - December 11, 2020 at 06:00 AM



“ Pamela Painter lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Pamela Painter - December 10, 2020 at 10:02 PM



“ The sweetest person I ever knew she loved everyone made no difference in any one Rest on Mrs.Andrew



Shirley Taylor - December 10, 2020 at 09:42 PM



“ Lil was such a great teacher and a friend to everyone she taught . She was the best of both .

Bud Brown - December 10, 2020 at 09:24 PM



“ Rhonda DeVercelly lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Rhonda DeVercelly - December 10, 2020 at 08:55 PM



“ Edna Robertson lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Edna Robertson - December 10, 2020 at 08:31 PM



“ She was a beautiful lady with respect for every one.i love her with all my heart.i will never for get her coming to Vista me after my mom got killed.this sweet lady is in heaven with God and very misses.I love you and you will always be in my heart.

Edna Robertson - December 10, 2020 at 08:29 PM



“ What a wonderful, loving, caring and genuine legend we have lost. She was so special to so many throughout her life. Prayers to Lynn, Frank, Spike and extended family. May these memories of such an extraordinary woman remain in your heart forever.

Susan O West - December 10, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ Kathy And Ray Walker lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Kathy and Ray Walker - December 10, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.



Virginia Clark - December 10, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ So sweet ! Prayers for the family .

Vickie Cocke - December 10, 2020 at 06:51 PM



“ Such a wonderful soul. My favorite teacher.
Many prayers to her family.
With love, Joey & Ray Dalton



Joey Dalton - December 10, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ Lillian Andrews was a special lady and great teacher. Never forgot her Lynch Station roots. Her government class was my favorite. Deepest sympathy to her family.

Sue Reynolds Doss - December 10, 2020 at 06:46 PM



“ She was one of my favorite teachers. A real sweet woman an an asset to her community

Rudy Logwood - December 10, 2020 at 10:54 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. Prayers She was a special person.

Gwenda Willard - December 10, 2020 at 06:41 PM



“ Mrs. Andrew was by far the best teacher in the history OF AHS SHE WAS MY GOV. TEACHER. MY HISTORY TEACHER AND MY DEBATE COACH. BUT MOST OF ALL MY FRIEND ALL. WHO KNEW U WILL MISS U .RIP

Mickey Crouch - December 10, 2020 at 06:36 PM



“ I am among thousands of lucky students taught by Lil at Altavista High School. I graduated in 1975 and the passing years have helped me realize the many lessons, in and out of the classroom instilled by Lil. No doubt, an angel has arrived in heaven.

todd carter - December 10, 2020 at 06:34 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to family of a wonderful teacher and person. Her classes were always enjoyable with a excellent learning experience. She came to all 5 of my reunions and both of Avie's. We always looked forward to seeing her again.



Rich Johnson - December 10, 2020 at 06:04 PM



“ Everyone who knew Lil loved her. She will be missed by her family, her church and the community.
Lynne Huskey



Lynne Huskey - December 10, 2020 at 05:59 PM



“ Lynn, Spike and family - We are so sorry for the passing of your mom, a legend. We never think of Altavista High without thinking of Lil Andrew. Such a special gift and she will be missed. You are in our prayers.
Bill and Betty Gillespie

Betty Gillespie - December 10, 2020 at 05:58 PM



“ Butch & Glenna W. Carr lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Butch & Glenna W. Carr - December 10, 2020 at 05:54 PM



“ Betty Gillespie lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Betty Gillespie - December 10, 2020 at 05:54 PM



“ My Thoughts an Prayers are with the family



Carol Rowland - December 10, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ Jay Rice lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Jay Rice - December 10, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. She was a very special person who made class interesting and informative. She truly cared about the people she taught. I always looked forward to class reunions as I new she would come to all of them.

Richard & Avie Johnson - December 10, 2020 at 05:06 PM



“ Mrs . Andrews was one of the most respected, and loved teacher ever walked into Altavista High School. She touched so many lives in her 30 years in teaching. Her family can rest knowing she is in Heaven with her loved ones that went before her. And please know you all are being in the thoughts and prayers of hundreds of people whose lives she touched.



Ray Guill - December 10, 2020 at 04:50 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Lil was my favorite teacher and loved her. She was a friend as well, after high school. She always came to our class reunions. She will be greatly missed.



Pat Puckette - December 10, 2020 at 04:34 PM



“ My heart is broken. I absolutely loved Lil--and Wallace too. My thoughts are with the entire family-- and know that I share in your loss.

vicki hoskins - December 10, 2020 at 04:27 PM



“ Jimmy And Anne Marr lit a candle in memory of Lillian Douglas Andrew



Jimmy and Anne Marr - December 10, 2020 at 03:53 PM