



Lore White

June 16, 1923 - February 27, 2015

June 16, 1923 – February 27, 2015. When you read this, I will be at the big beautiful golf course in the sky waiting for my tee time. What a wondrous life it has been. Born in California (second generation) with loving parents and a beautiful sister, Sally, who gave me four handsome nephews. I was married to Samuel Behrens, who came up here much too soon. I have two terrific daughters, Samantha Blauwkamp, married to Rol, making her a stepmother to 9 adult children and grandmother to 16 little ones. (He loved to call me his “precious mother-in-law!”) Donna Motsinger, married to Ted, a wonderful man of many talents. Those two gave me three special grandsons, Dylan, Luke, married to Rachel, and Jeffrey married to Melissa who gave me my great granddaughter, Kaileigh. All though living far away from us but very much in our hearts are Raychel, Whitley, Brandon, Nolan, Jeff, Tara, and Hailey. In 1969, while visiting friends in Hawaii I met Van White. Little did I think a year later I would be living in the “Land of Enchantment” married to my precious Van, who became a loving father to my girls. We shared 44 years sharing new adventures, seeing a lot of this world, and a love that was so special. Because of Van’s well-known and respected business, Albuquerque Safe Company, I was invited on the Board of Directors of various organizations. What fun it was to be on the Oversight Building Committee for the new Albuquerque Convention Center. What an honor to be the first woman to tour the site (although a hard hat really ruins a hairdo). Being a part of the Navy League, when it was being established in New Mexico, was another great experience.

An interesting board was the Better Business Bureau. Amazing what people have to complain about and also how some businesses are run. The Pilot Club had an outstanding membership and was known for giving to the community. The Santa Fe Opera was enriched by an amazing group of women in the Albuquerque Opera Guild. We spent hours preparing and hosting the most exquisite formal holiday dinner parties for several years with all of the proceeds going to the Opera. Knowing my love of theater, I was on and off the Board of Directors of the Albuquerque Little Theater for several years. That was years of fun. The year I was treasurer they would place a large L in the theater window. This would tell me, when I was on my way to the Albuquerque Country Club, that they needed me to come in and sign checks! Being a part of the theater was a grand experience. One of my most rewarding board experiences was working on the Board of Goodwill Industries. Spending 23 years with them and honored to serve three years as President. Van and I re-established the Mercedes Benz Club in 1973 and what fun times we've had all these years. Serving on the Amapola Garden Club Board was a delight. While my illness prevented me from becoming club president, the club made me their Honorary 2015 President. What a great bunch of gals. I was honored to have been involved with the Sun Country Golf Association almost since its inception. The Association benefits and represents all amateur golfers. Being a board member involved traveling to various golf courses around the State and El Paso. They do so much work for tournaments, rules, course measurements and are responsible for our handicaps, among many other duties. Having broken my leg skiing (6 months in a cast), I had to give up tennis and golf became my real passion. In those days, we "girls" from the Albuquerque Country Club (the best country club in the State) traveled all around New Mexico playing in special tournaments including some in Arizona. What a bunch of fun gals. They're all up here now playing lots of golf and bridge, and waiting for me to teach them Mah-Jongg. Being a member of the Women's Golf Association I became a Board Member on and off for years, serving as President in 1984. Those were wonderful

years. So many talented women to have as friends and so many golf games, lunches, and parties almost every weekend at the Club.

What a life!

Gotta go.

They just called us, God's "Fearsome Foursome," to the tee box. We're a heck of a team. My partners are Dylan, Bria, and Reva Jo. My favorite caddy is my adorable son, Robin, who is always telling me to keep my head down. See ya, but not too soon I hope.

P.S. No funeral. Much too boring.

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MF

“ So Sorry Van,
*Lori was always a happy delight. She is missed by many. Mary
Floyd*

Mary Floyd - March 25, 2015 at 05:11 PM

DB

“ *My condolences to Van and all the rest of the family.*

I have so many great memories of Lore from when we first met in the Pilot Club of Albuquerque (she 'lent me her husband' to act in a fund-raising skit at Popejoy) to when she played the glockenspiel with the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra, also at Popejoy. Lore was always so upbeat about whatever life offered here. I know we shall all miss her.

Deborah Borders

Deborah Borders - March 15, 2015 at 01:03 PM

LD

“ *Dear Samantha, I was so sad to hear about your mother. What a Wonderful lady she was, she had such an elegance about her, when she walked in, she lit up the room with her energy and grace. You were so blessed to have had this great woman as your mother.*

*You are in my thoughts and prayers,
God Bless,
Lorraine (Dean) Daugherty*

Lorraine Daugherty - March 08, 2015 at 12:34 PM

JB

“ Sam - You are your Mother's daughter...and that is a very very fine thing to be!

XOXO Jean Block

Jean BLock - March 05, 2015 at 02:30 PM

SE

“ What a very special lady who left a ton of wonderful memories. She was the ultimate fashion queen. Lori had jewelry to match each outfit and lots of it. She never had a hair out of place or an outfit that wasn't coordinated. She always looked 15 to 20 years younger than what she was, and her mind was as sharp as a tack.

My birthday is the day prior to hers and each year we would celebrate. I always looked forward with my time with this amazing woman. She will be sorely missed.

Sandy Eastham

Sandy Eastham - March 04, 2015 at 10:41 PM

DA

“ How Lore will be missed! I will never forget the day we tried to pierce your ear, Sam, it got all inflamed & Lore ended up pulling it thru your ear with plyers. You were howling, she was exasperated with both of us amateurs. We were about 15 or 16. In retrospect it was all pretty funny. She was so gracious, that was the only time I saw her be genuinely peeved with both of us. We deserved it! 😍

dorothy ariens - March 04, 2015 at 11:34 AM

LG

“ Our sincere condolences. Lore had a sparkle and will be missed by all who knew her. We always enjoyed visiting at Albuquerque Country Club.

Nedra and Larry Gordon

Larry and Nedra Gordon - March 03, 2015 at 06:36 PM

PM

“ A very special lady, who made me feel special each time our paths crossed. No more rained out golf days, Lore!! Love & hugs to you & Sam (my dear friend of many decades).



Peggy Murtagh - March 03, 2015 at 06:36 PM



Antonia
Cardella

“ I love how close you and your mom were. Wishing you beautiful memories to soothe your heart. Love, TJ

Antonia Cardella - March 03, 2015 at 06:28 PM

LH

“ Dearest Sam, Your mother was an amazing lady, She was always supportive of you. I always enjoyed talking to her. What a great obituary she wrote, sweet and witty! Lynn Hall

Lynn Hall - March 03, 2015 at 05:12 PM

JW

“ Lore is the person I would most like to be like. She had a sparkle as long as I have known her. A beautiful person inside and out. As I read her obituary I thought I could hear her reading it. Our condolences, Julie and CLaude Wylie

Julie Wylie - March 03, 2015 at 02:53 PM

NM

“ *Samantha, Rol - my heartfelt sympathy goes out to you. But what a wonderful obituary she penned: it blew me away. This is how she deserves to be remembered: a lover of fun and life.*
Ninette

Ninette S. Mordaunt - March 03, 2015 at 02:27 PM

DW

“ *What a beautiful gracious lady..... Many fond memories at the Albuquerque Country Club...my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*
Debbie Wetsch



Debbie Wetsch - March 03, 2015 at 09:50 AM

CJ

“ *On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

Chris Jogi - March 02, 2015 at 12:59 PM