



## Elizabeth Bray Older

July 16, 1955 - November 30, 2020

Elizabeth Bray Older, 65, of Cross Lanes passed away November 30, 2020.

Born July 16, 1955 in Charleston, she was the only child of the late O. Othor Older Jr. and Gladys Louise Bray Older.

She graduated from St. Catherine's High School in Richmond, Virginia and from West Virginia University with a Fine Arts Degree. Elizabeth retired from the West Virginia Small Business Development Center (SBDC) as the Director of Professional Development. She helped many small businesses in West Virginia through her tenure with the SBDC. Following her retirement, Elizabeth enjoyed working at the Kanawha County Library, most recently at the Dunbar branch.

She is survived by the many people she helped over the years.

A private service will be held at she will be laid to rest beside her parents at Sunset Memorial Park, South Charleston.

In lieu of flowers, donations are encouraged to the Kanawha/Charleston Humane Society.

You may share memories of Elizabeth by visiting her tribute page at

[ChapmanFuneralHomes.com](http://ChapmanFuneralHomes.com)

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane is honored to serve Elizabeth Bray Older.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park

4301 MacCorkle Avenue  
South Charleston, WV 25309

# Tribute Wall



“ Elizabeth Bray Older

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ I worked with Liz at Small Business Development Center such a nice girl. Very professional and had a heart of gold. I really enjoyed working with her.



Brenda Thaxton - December 20, 2020 at 11:18 AM



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Brenda Thaxton - December 20, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ I was a high school classmate and good friend to Lizzie, as she went by in high school at St. Catherine's. I am sure our entire class is saddened by this news... RIP, Lizzie. Godspeed.....☐🙏  
Lisa Stein Woodruff

Lisa Woodruff - December 09, 2020 at 06:53 PM

LH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Liz's death. I have such fond memories of her from St. Catherine's School.

*I shared a table with 'Lizzie' (sat across from her) in Biology class during our junior year. I was a day student, and she, of course, a boarder. Our worlds were quite different - I was known more as an athlete, she as an artist, but I learned a lot from her. She had a penetrating intelligence that helped clear up my confusion around concepts in Biology as well as, perhaps, a poem I was trying to understand from English class. Her help was always offered with kindness and humor. In my inner memory book of St. C days, her face has often come to mind, and I've wondered how her life unfolded. The photo here reminds me very much of the 17-year-old girl I knew then. It makes such good sense that she went to art school and then later became a businesswoman and a librarian. In her formative years, those talents were already seeded, taking root and growing deep. What a lovely photo. Thank you for creating this space for me to remember a lovely friend from childhood.*

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**Landon Hall** - December 09, 2020 at 03:26 PM

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“ I meet Liz online in Twitter and Instagram as she was an enormous fan of the actor Luke Evans as I am. We became firm friends. She Direct Messaged me saying she had got an infection and was on oxygen and was going to take a break from social media for a week. When she didn't contact me I DMed her again but received no reply. I DMed her again yesterday along with another friend of hers from Instagram who also followed Liz's page on FB where she saw the awful news. We are just devastated. Liz was such a delight with a wicked sense of humour and I loved her to bits.

I posted a tribute to her on both Twitter and Instagram and she would be delighted to know that Luke saw it and left a comment sending condolences. I know that would have thrilled her to bits and she would be smiling and laughing at his kind words.

I will miss you so much Liz. We talked almost every day. ❤️

*Adèle Carlisle from New Zealand  
(LeemitageLuke) on Instagram and Twitter*

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is very sad news. Senc  
amily all my heartfelt  
olences. RIP dear Liz  
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**Adele Carlisle** - December 08, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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*“ I have been corresponding with Liz for over a year through her website for Luke Evans. She adored him for many years and shared that adoration with so many of his fans and her friends. Liz was a lovely person and I completely enjoyed our conversations. She had a heart of gold, was very caring and gave of herself so freely. Her passing will be a difficult loss for so many. My condolences to her family and friends.*



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**Janiece Bernardini** - December 07, 2020 at 11:35 PM

BA

*“ I had the pleasure of working with Liz during her time at the Cross Lanes branch library. Her kind nature and positive attitude and kind nature were a blessing to us and she had a wonderful relationship with our patrons. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Brittany Addis** - December 03, 2020 at 04:55 PM

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*“ I am so sad to hear of Liz's passing. I always enjoyed working with her. She had a good sense of humour. I remember when we looked for articles about the Older Pharmacy. We had a lot of fun doing that. I will keep her family in my thoughts.*

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**Elizabeth Fraser** - December 03, 2020 at 11:02 AM

 TJ  
Wilborn

*“ I am heartbroken at the new of the loss of a friend and coworker. Liz was fun to be around, hardworking, and a great story teller. She will be greatly missed. Condolences and prayers to the family!! Thanks for the laughs and many conversations Liz, Rest easy!!*

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**TJ Wilborn** - December 02, 2020 at 02:21 PM

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“ I worked with Liz on Sundays at Main. She was a joy to work with. Always smiling such a happy spirit and a wealth of knowledge. Sending love and prayers to her family. She will be greatly missed by her KCPL family.

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**Simone** - December 02, 2020 at 01:58 PM

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“ I worked with Liz at the Kanawha County Public Library, most recently as she was starting employment at the Dunbar Library. I remember doing orientation with her and she said the excitement she felt about coming back to work at the library was like the excitement for the first day of school. She will be greatly missed. Prayers and comfort for her family and all who knew her.

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**Sara Caswell** - December 02, 2020 at 12:18 PM

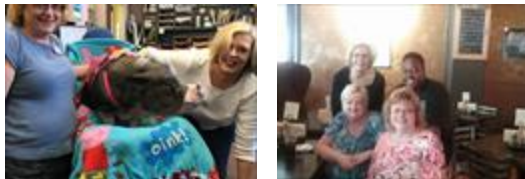
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“ Liz was a coworker of highest quality and greatest fun! Her generous spirit and sense of humor were welcome everywhere. Liz will be missed; I'm glad I had the joy of knowing her. Sail on, Liz!

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**Terry Harris** - December 02, 2020 at 11:52 AM

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**Nina Bess** - December 02, 2020 at 11:39 AM



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**TJ Wilborn** - December 02, 2020 at 02:16 PM



*Thanks for sharing those pictures Nina, mine was lost.*

**TJ Wilborn** - December 02, 2020 at 02:17 PM



*I always enjoyed being with Liz, wether for dinner or just meeting up at our friends. A lovely sense of humor. I will miss her.*

**joetta** - December 02, 2020 at 06:54 PM