



## Lonita Helen Wehrly

July 23, 1950 - January 26, 2025

Lonita Helen (Mahaffey) Wehrly, 74, of Anderson, Indiana, passed away at home surrounded by her loving family on Sunday, January 26, 2025, after a long battle with lung and heart disease.

She was born on July 23, 1950, to Charles H. and Dorothy H. (Driscoll) Mahaffey at Eglin Air Force Base near Valparaiso, Florida.

She married Steve W. Wehrly on February 14, 1976. After which, they raised three daughters in their Anderson home.

Lonita was a homemaker before going to work at Wendy's Restaurant for 17 years. Born with a knack for nature and being outdoors, she enjoyed gardening in her flower beds. Being a grandmother was one of her many joys. She was beautiful and had a great sense of humor.

Lonita was an excellent cook and lover of animals, always having pets in her home. Most of all,

Lonita loved her family unconditionally and would always put them first. She especially loved her

Driscoll family in West Plains, Missouri.

Lonita is survived by her husband, Steve W. Wehrly; three daughters,

Jeanette (Mike) Case,  
Stephanie (Luke Eberly) Wehrly, and Sybraina (Gabe Yattaw) Wehrly; four  
grandchildren,  
Gracie (Kaleb Cortrecht) Addison, Cannon Case, Carson Eberly, and Evelyn  
Yattaw; three  
sisters, Sylvia (Ron Beckerman) Mahaffey Colter, Roseanna (Keith) Metzger,  
and Rita Owen;  
and many nieces and nephews.  
She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Dorothy (Driscoll)  
Mahaffey; a son,  
Matthew Wehrly, who was born sleeping; mother and father-in-law, Delores  
and William F.  
Wehrly; brother, Charles Mahaffey; brother-in-law, Richard Colter; and sisters-  
in-law Lorraine  
Ross, Nancy Sexton, and Beth Wehrly.  
Visitation will be Thursday, January 30, 2025, from 3-5 p.m. at Loose Funeral  
Homes &  
Crematory, Anderson, Indiana, with funeral service immediately following at 5  
p.m. The Wehrly  
family would like to invite anyone to join them for dinner served in The  
Community Room at  
Loose Funeral Home following the service.  
Cremation will take place and she will be buried at a later date.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 30. 3:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory  
200 W 53rd St  
Anderson, IN 46013  
(765) 649-5255  
info@loosecares.com

## Funeral Service

JAN 30. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Loose Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lonita Helen Wehrly*



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**Loose Funeral Home** - January 29, 2025 at 02:21 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Loose Funeral Home** - January 30, 2025 at 01:09 PM

DW

“ *Dennis, Kristin & Ava Wallen purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Lonita Helen Wehrly.*



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**Dennis, Kristin & Ava Wallen** - January 30, 2025 at 01:58 AM

DW

“ Dennis, Kristin & Ava Wallen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonita Helen Wehrly.

Dennis, Kristin & Ava Wallen - January 30, 2025 at 01:58 AM



“ 77 files added to the album Life Tributes



Loose Funeral Home - January 29, 2025 at 02:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lonita Helen Wehrly.



January 29, 2025 at 11:20 AM



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MM

“ I remember Lonita (along with Sylvia and their Mom) making popcorn balls for all of us kids for Halloween (way back when). It was like a big reunion going to "Mom's" on 38th Street when it came time to take our kids around for their 1st popcorn balls. Introducing Lonita to my kids was like showing them to part of the family even tho we weren't related. She had an infectious laugh, warm loving smile, and hugs that let you know that you were loved. RIH Lonita 🙏❤️ You will be missed!!!

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**Meredith Mooney** - January 28, 2025 at 06:17 PM

LJ

“ Love Dave & Courtney Johnston purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lonita Helen Wehrly.



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**Love Dave & Courtney Johnston** - January 28, 2025 at 02:33 PM

SC

“ She was my sister, best friend , my partner in mischief, my shadow, my confidante , my go to person in times of troubles and sorrows, my junior advisor, my strength . A year apart but yet so close. I can never live life the same without her. I'm not the same person anymore. I am so glad she's not suffering anymore , and as Christians we both knew that death would bring a new and better life. May you rest high upon the mountain and enjoy all that the lord has waiting for all who believe. Thanks to my parents for giving her to me, my deepest sorrows for her immediate family and those who loved her. Our pain is hard but time is a healer. RIH dear sis, I'm right behind you. We all are. You were loved more than you know. God bless all who mourn , for they will be comforted. MATTHEW 5:4 🙏

Sylvia Colter - January 28, 2025 at 01:00 PM

HF

“ Hugs from Your Driscoll Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Lonita Helen Wehrly.



Hugs from Your Driscoll Family - January 28, 2025 at 12:20 PM

DF

“ I have so many memories of my Aunt Lonita, but some of my fondest were when we shared one-on-one time, and her wiper blades. Aunt Lonita used to babysit my oldest, Ashley, and would perm my hair back in the 90's. When she babysat Ashley, I would try to get to her house half an hour to an hour earlier before work so that we could talk over a cup of coffee. I wasn't even a coffee drinker then, but those coffees were always good. In the 90's she would perm my hair, back when I needed a perm. She always did a great job. I couldn't tell you what we talked about, just everyday things etc, but it was her company and show of love that I always remember. This memory has, and will, live prominently forever in my mind. Many years ago, she shared her story about the wiper blades on her newer car, and what her theory was on the timing of them. Ever since she shared that story with me, every time I turn on my wiper blades, I think of her....and will always think of her!

DAWNITA J FOX - January 28, 2025 at 10:24 AM

TR

“ 14 files added to the album Photos of Lonita



Troy - January 27, 2025 at 09:53 PM

TR

*I remember when i had just turned 16 and was looking for a job, my aunt Lonita said she could probably get me hired on at Wendy's with her. She made me promise her that I would work hard, do a good job, and not make her look bad lol. I like to think I lived up to that promise. During the year that I worked there, I got to work with her several times, and she always made it a fun. Those are just some of the fond memories I have of my aunt Lonita. We will all miss you aunt Lonita, enjoy heaven, and don't let my dad get away with his corny jokes.*

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**Troy** - January 27, 2025 at 10:02 PM

BH

“*Lonita and I worked at Wendys in Anderson together and she became my very best friend and partner in crime! We had so much fun together over the years. We would meet for breakfasts and dinners and shared so much with each other. I learned so much from her about life in general and God! She was a good Christian woman. I'm so happy I got to see her just before Christmas and visit with her. I had planned to come back to see her as she had lots to tell me! However God took her before I could get back to see her. I loved her like a sister and will miss her voice and smile! RIP my beautiful friend!! Love you Lonita!*”



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**Belita Hardwick** - January 27, 2025 at 06:02 PM