

Connie Renee Shipp Christensen

May 7, 1936 ~ November 4, 2022

Your mother was so lovely and we were blessed to know her. It was always a delight to talk to her when she was in Oregon and we happened to see her. Our thoughts, prayers and love to all of her amazing family.

- Amy and Dave Dahmen

Your Mom as an amazing lady, and we are sending you all our love❤■ Lisa & Ed

- Lisa & Ed Bagley

Connie was my Honor’s English teacher in 1884-85 at Brighton High School. I credit her fully with my ability to write. She was a phenomenal teacher who dedicated countless extra hours to her craft. She would read our papers, mark them thoroughly, and insist we re-write them until they were perfect. She was funny, wise and encouraging. Thank you Connie for all you taught me.

- Alison Thacker Anderson

I had so much anxiety about writing through almost every year of school. I would literally have nightmares about writing essays. I’ll never forget being floored seeing a 5 on my English AP test and it was entirely because of her. That was back in 2001. She set me up for confident writing for the rest of my life. All of her students are so lucky to have had her as an educator. Wishing your family peace as your grieve.

- Ally Voye

She was my favorite English teacher. It was at Brightron High School in 1985. Love and condolences to all her loved ones.

- Tani Wilder

Miss Shipp was my high school English teacher at Olympus. She is one of the few teachers that I really remember. (I even remembered her middle name Renee.) I adored her and her spunk and no-nonsense approach to teaching. As a 17-year old, she made a big impression of beauty and talent with her charm. I can almost still hear her calling my name in class with that wry smile. I learned to love English and enjoyed reading her list of books; she introduced me to Lost Horizon, which became a favorite. Don't laugh, but at that time, I was in love with Lanz dresses, and Miss Shipp had five. She wore one each day of the week on her darling figure; what could be more memorable? She was a positive influence on many young women, and more likely young men. I became a teacher myself, specializing in Language Arts, no doubt she was an influence. I even remember running into her years later at some seminar and introduced myself. I am certain she blessed the lives of all of your family and many of her students. Happy Memories!

- Charlotte Christiansen McDonald

I had the privilege of working with Connie in the 1980's when a few of our kids attended Bonneville Elementary. I was the PTA President and she was the Community Council President. We became good friends and had many good conversations. I learned a lot from her. She was a very intelligent person who loved to learn and loved to teach. She was an exceptional teacher and her students loved her and they excelled. They were lucky to have her. She was a wonderful mother and such a good person. I am out of town and unable to attend her funeral. I hope all of the wonderful memories you have shared with her will help sustain you at this difficult time. My love and condolences to your family. Love, Marilyn Rasmussen

- Marilyn Rasmussen

So sorry for the loss of such a wonderful person who was full of love, caring and acceptance. I cherish the times I was able to be with her.

- John Stringham