



Laura Mim Young

December 19, 1950 - March 10, 2025

Laurie Young, 74, of Washington, DC, passed away peacefully on March 10, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. Born on December 19, 1950, in Washington, DC, to Paul and Tamara Young, Laurie's life was one of dedication, compassion, and profound service to others.

Laurie was a passionate psychotherapist and deeply committed to her work with the National LGBTQ Task Force and the Older Women's League. She was driven by an unwavering desire to help others and became a radiant source of care, wisdom, and compassion for all who knew her.

From an early age, Camp Louise in the Catoctin Mountains was Laurie's cherished sanctuary, a place where she found both joy and peace. With her closest friends from camp, lovingly known as "The Fun Bunk," Laurie adopted the mantra, "See you on the mountain!"—a bond they carried throughout their lives. Generations of young girls and women were forever impacted by Laurie's love, mentorship, sage advice, and boundless generosity. Her legacy of warmth and wisdom will forever be felt at Camp Louise, where she continued to volunteer and served on the Board, leaving a lasting imprint on the camp's community.

Laurie is survived by her devoted partner of 42 years, Marikay Crangle; her daughter, Leah Crangle-Young; son-in-law, Trey Brown; grandson, Samnang

Brown; along with many close relatives, friends, and the countless lives she touched through her work and dedication.

A service to celebrate Laurie's life will be held on Thursday, March 13th, at 11:00 AM at Columbia Gardens Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. Please use the 100 North Oakland Street entrance, the main cemetery gate is closed due to construction.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Columbia Gardens
100 North Oakland Street
Arlington , VA 22203

Reception

MAR 13. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Laurie served as Chair of the Commission on Aging, and in that role, she initiated the County's Age-Friendly Plan, which continues to guide the Commission's priorities. She had a strong sense of justice and was dedicated to human rights.

Erica Wood

Erica Wood - March 16, 2025 at 01:36 PM



“ <https://www.mixcloud.com/AgingMatters/mental-health-issues-among-older-adults-dr-laurie-young-psychotherapist-july-18-2017/>

As producer and host of AGING MATTERS radio shows, i was honored to have Laurie Young as my guest during the first year of my program. The topic was Mental Health Issues (program link is above). We both served as members of the Arlington Commission on Aging. She was a true advocate for older adults and their families and I am sad to learn of her death. I will truly miss her and send my sympathy to her family.

Cheryl Beversdorf - March 15, 2025 at 04:40 PM



“ Laurie was one of the most honest and most intelligent people I've ever had the honor to know. She had an activist spirit and fought all her life for the rights of others. The world has lost a guiding light.

Jay Christman - March 13, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ Karen T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Laura Mim Young.

Karen T. - March 12, 2025 at 09:26 PM

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“ *I am going to miss you, my dear friend. we have shared many a good time I will always remember. Love Maggie Henney*

Maggie Henney - March 11, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Laura Mim Young.*

March 11, 2025 at 11:29 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Laura Mim Young.*



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