



## Stella Lareau Shadroui

May 28, 1931 - November 12, 2021

Stella Shadroui, 90, died Friday, November 12, 2021 at her residence at Oak Park Retirement, Salisbury, NC, following declining health.

She was preceded in death by her husband Peter J. Shadroui in 2001, her brother Maurice Lareau, and her sister Madeline Tate.

She was born in Waitsfield, Vermont and attended Mount Saint Mary Academy in Burlington, Vermont. Stella and Peter moved their family to Salisbury, NC in 1965. She and her family were longtime members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and she was an active member of Catholic Daughters for many years. Stella completed an AB degree at Rowan Technical Community College.

Stella worked in the Salisbury City Schools for about 20 years, was a very active gardener and served as president of the Garden Club at Hall House. She actively supported the Salisbury Historic Society. Stella had many hobbies and interests, including being an avid tennis player and “beach bird”. After playing club and tournament bridge for many years, she received her Life Master in Duplicate Bridge.

Stella was blessed with four children, Mike Shadroui (Alexandra) of Cleveland, NC; JoAnne Shadroui of Wilmington, NC; George Shadroui (Elvia Olivas) of Memphis, TN; and Marie Robbins (Bryan) of Chester, VA. She leaves behind seven grandchildren, Teresa, Michelle, Cathya (John), Katie, Talia, John Paul and Lillianna; and two great-grandchildren, Stella and Aurelia.

A private funeral mass will be held for the family. Please remember her in

prayer and pray for the souls of her family and loved ones who have gone before her.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Shadroui family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ *Dear Cousins*

*We were very sad to hear about your loss. We all know Stella as a beautiful person always smiling and bringing joy around her.*

*She will be certainly missed by all of us*

*Your Canadian cousins Luc (Sylvie) and their family, Thérèse (Yvon), Louise and her family, Normand and Chantal*

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**Luc Many** - December 05, 2021 at 08:55 AM

“ To My Beautiful Cousins,

*My heart is heavy with your loss, tears flow as I type this, and I am so very sorry.*

*My spirit sings knowing Aunt Stella is with Jesus, Uncle Pete, my Daddy, Mama, Aunt Madeline, our Grandparents, cousin Andre, once more but the pain of her passing is felt.*

*Faith is an amazing gift, and the belief of what is unseen continues. I knew on Nov 12th something had transpired, I felt it, Aunt Stella was suddenly on my mind. I truly believe it was your Mama saying goodbye to her niece.....*

*I was blessed to enjoy conversations on the phone this past year, embracing every moment. What would start out as a 10 min conversation as she said she was tired would turn into an hour lol. It felt time never passed, she sounded as she had in my childhood memories. I felt sorrow, knowing I hadn't seen her since the VT camp was sold nor had I seen you all in at least that same amount of time. I pray we can join once again in VT, at the Lareau Farm, with our family from north of the border.*

*I have this vision in my mind of Aunt Stella smiling, I hear that beautiful southern drawl. Do you remember our times at the Farm? Michael and George singing like they were on stage (and jumping on grandma's furniture!), Marie and I planning how we would save the animals of the world, and Joanne with laughter in her eyes. Then it would be time to eat, I can hear calling "Michael, Marie,....." and down the list.*

*Playing Bridge is a very fond memory at the farm. I learned at a very young age and was the 4th in many a game (pretty sure I won a few games against her too :-). Major accomplishment!) In later years, Bridge was still on the camp agenda but now she was quite serious about this!*

*My most precious memory occurred when my Daddy passed away. I was only 13 yrs old. During his service, my Mom held Tony's hand, Aunt Stella held mine. As I grew older, the more I held that moment close to my heart.*

*I miss you all, send my love, and please smile through the tears while you watch for the signs. Aunt Stella may have left our world as we know it, but.....well, believe. You know what I mean.*

*Hugs,  
Kelly*

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**Kelly Lareau Gonyeau** - November 20, 2021 at 01:53 PM

LD

“ *Dear cousins,*

*I just love your Mom! Full of life and fun, someone you think will live forever. So many great times were had at lake Champlain and in Waitsfield too. I loved talking with your Mom into the early hours. Despite those late nights, she would always serve a cooked breakfast in the morning; the kitchen would be in disarray but our tummies were filled with delicious food.*

*I'll never forget the time she stayed in a hotel room with my sister and me, and insisted on sleeping on the floor because of her back! She was always so generous and hospitable, and also always up for a good time. She made me laugh and I will miss her.*

*I am so sorry for your loss.*

*Love,*

*Lisa Dery (in the UK with Nick and Emily)*

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**Lisa Dery** - November 20, 2021 at 08:29 AM

CD

“ Chers cousins,

*I have such fond memories of Stella! One of the best is being invited with my sister Suzanne to sleep over in the Red Raccoon. We were quite young, and the memory of that night still makes me smile.*

*I remember thinking it was so cool that Stella kept the oven door open to keep us warm. As we sat at the kitchen table by the heat, she taught my sister and I how to do our nails quickly and easily, no need to remove the old polish or be fussy about it! It's this feminine and fun yet pragmatic way that was so refreshing about Stella.*

*There are other memories too, like the first time I saw her (anyone!) throw eggshells and coffee grounds right out the kitchen and into the garden. I do the same now and think of her every time.*

*Oh, and her white-knuckle driving through the mountain pass, again just the three of us, going who knows where. That's the thing about your mom: She always took the time to connect with us.*

*It was easy for me to love and appreciate your mother just as my parents did. She has always been larger than life to our family, and she will remain that way forever to me. I'm so glad my boys were able to meet her.*

*My deepest sympathies to you all for the loss of your uniquely wonderful mother.*

*Much love,*

*Chantal Dery  
with Greg, Henry and Rudy*



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**Chantal Dery** - November 17, 2021 at 07:40 PM

JD

“ *Dear Michael, JoAnne, George and Marie,*

*Our sincere condolences to you and your families in the recent loss of your dear Mother. She will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.*

*Stella will always be in our hearts and we will cherish our memories of the wonderful times we spent together at the farm and at her camp at the lake in Vermont, her lovely home in Salisbury, her condo at the beach, and her visits to see us in Montreal.*

*I watched the Memorial Mass today and it was beautiful. May Stella Rest In Peace forever.*

*Love from your cousins,*

*Jo-Ann Dery, my daughters Chantal and Suzanne and their families*

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**Jo-Ann Dery** - November 17, 2021 at 03:58 PM

PD

“ *Dear cousins,  
We were so sad to hear of Stella's passing. We will always have fond memories of Stella in Vermont at the farm and Lake Champlain, swimming and boating and playing cards. It was always such a treat when she would visit us in Montreal. She will be missed.*

*Sincerest condolences to you, she will always be in our hearts.*

*Love to all,*

*Paula Dery & Theo Michael*



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**Paula Dery** - November 17, 2021 at 09:08 AM

WM

“ *Mike Sorry to hear about your Mother Passing. I served with you in Aerial Port in the Air National Guard in Charlotte. I hope you and your Family are doing well.*

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**William Moore** - November 17, 2021 at 08:36 AM

MW

“ *Stella was always like a second mother to me. I remember her as being a no-nonsense type of person who was a realist and took life by the horns. She was an excellent cook and made mouth watering dishes from whatever leftovers she could find. I will miss her but Heaven has gained another angel. And by the way, thanks for Grayson! (this is a private joke between Joanne and I). May God be with each and every one of her family members during this difficult time.*

*Melissa Wondergem*

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**Melissa Wondergem** - November 16, 2021 at 12:05 PM

MB

“ *Aunt Stella was a wonderful model for the girls/women in our family. I remember her as bright, determined, energetic, opinionated, fearless, competitive, athletic....not afraid of getting her hands dirty in the garden or in a camp renovation project...yet I don't think I ever saw her without lipstick on or plenty of jewelry! I will always remember her fun and welcoming way. God speed to the next garden Aunt Stella! With love and sympathy Marianna Shadroui Boivin*

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**marianna shadroui boivin** - November 15, 2021 at 10:26 PM

SS

“ *I enjoyed visiting with Stella. She loved her family and her garden. I remember her every time I see my strawberry plants that she gave me. May the Lord comfort her family.*

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**Sandy Sanchez** - November 15, 2021 at 08:36 AM

SC

“ *Mike and Alexandra,*

*We were saddened to read of Stella's passing. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

*Steve and Diane Coggin*

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**Steve Coggin** - November 14, 2021 at 08:28 AM

JS

“ *I am sorry to hear about Stella. She brought a little of Vermont to Salisbury.*

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**Jeff Saleeby** - November 14, 2021 at 08:08 AM