Memorial Minute for Rosemary Turner Lore  
(Dec 21, 1941 – Feb 1, 2013)

Rosemary Turner Lore, 72, of Newark, Ohio, daughter of Ned and Myrtle Cole Turner, died February 1, 2013, of complications related to breast cancer. A teacher, world traveler and poet, Rosemary passed peacefully in hospice. Born January 21, 1941 in Ivyton, Kentucky, Rosemary attended primary and secondary schools in rural Northwest Ohio, graduating in 1959 from Vanlue High School. An honors student in high school and a scholarship student at Bowling Green State University, she graduated from BGSU with a bachelor in science in education in January 1963. Later, she completed a master’s degree in science in reading at Xavier University, in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1973. Her career in education spanned more than three decades, most of it as a classroom teacher, reading specialist, union representative and professional specialist in program evaluation with the Columbus Public Schools. Her excellence in these posts earned her in 1977 recognition as a Martha Jennings Holden scholar.

She was married to fellow BGSU student David Lore, whom she met while working at BGSU’s Carnation Room. She was a waitress; he was a dishwasher. They were married at BGSU’s Prout Chapel in August 1962, and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last summer. A lifelong explorer and researcher, she and David traveled to at least a dozen countries on six continents. And even following her devastating stroke in 1996, she used her rehabilitation time to write and publish a book of original poetry, Sensing the Holy Mundane, and continued her work as a family historian on the Turner and Cole family genealogies. She was mother to two daughters, Diane Pauline, of Atlanta, GA, and Elizabeth Jean, who died in infancy. In addition to her husband and daughter, she is survived by grandchildren, Ian Leslie Wriford, David Edward Ross and Emily Rose Ross; and her son-in-law, Richard Michael Ross, all of Marietta, GA; brothers, Clarence Junior Turner of Cecil, Ohio, and Edward Dwayne Turner of Hillsdale, MI; and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins. A third brother, Kenneth Ray, and her sister, Elizabeth, preceded her in death. A member of the Granville Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quaker), Rosemary was a lifelong admirer of many spiritual traditions and customs, particularly the Native American and Jewish religions.