



## Mia Scholz

August 10, 1966 - July 1, 2022

Mia Scholz, 55, of Lake Forest died July 1, 2022 in the comfort of her home with her family after a six-year battle with ovarian cancer.

She is the wife of Matthew (married 19 years); mother of Henry and Beatrice; daughter of John Kreis and the late Sandra Kreis; sister of the late Lance Kreis. She is also survived by numerous extended family members and a wonderful network of dear, supportive friends in the Lake Forest and Lake Bluff area.

Mia was born in Coshocton, OH. Growing up in Coshocton she enjoyed swimming, horseback riding and hunting for attractive examples of early American furniture and decorative art. She graduated in 1988 from Miami University with a B.S. in Accountancy. After graduation, she moved to Chicago to begin an 11-year career at Arthur Andersen before moving on to work with Walgreens...one of her long-time Andersen audit clients...for the next 16 years until her retirement in 2015 as Controller.

She married Matt in 2003 and together they bought a home in Lake Forest and began to build their family.

Mia was intensely focused on her children's happiness & success. She derived special pleasure from helping Henry pursue his passion for sailing and

helping Beatrice advance her equestrian skills. She was an active walker and loved to travel to beautiful, remote locations, esp. those with mountains. She happily put her commitments to family and work ahead of her own pursuits but was always fascinated to read about explorers who pushed themselves to the limits of mental and physical endurance. Integrity, loyalty, focus, persistence, and perseverance were some of her many strengths.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Mia's name to a charity of your choice. A burial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 9, 2022 at Lake Forest Cemetery. The burial service will be quite brief.

A memorial service will be held at the South Pavilion at Lake Forest Beach on Tuesday, July 19th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to gather at this informal event to enjoy light refreshments and to remember Mia's life. No parking permit is required. Please inform the beach attendant that you will be attending the memorial service for Mia Scholz.

For additional information contact Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest [www.RTfunerals.com](http://www.RTfunerals.com) or (847) 234-9649.

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Forest Cemetery

1525 North Lake Road  
Lake Forest, IL 60045

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL **19**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Lake Forest South Pavilion Beach  
Lake Road - Far South Beach Entrance  
Lake Forest, IL 60045

# Tribute Wall

SL

“ I worked with Mia at Andersen when we both assigned to the Walgreens and the True North accounts. Mia was smart, organized and worked very hard. Mia had a great sense of humor and I remember laughing a lot with her as she possessed great wit and an infectious smile. Mia leaves a important legacy in Bea and Henry who I met for the first time tonight. Our deepest sympathies to Matt and the entire family. I believe in the adage that it is always the best among us who die young. We will miss you.

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**Stan Logan** - July 19, 2022 at 09:11 PM

SB

“ I met Mia in 2007 and worked closely for 7 years. I can't forget the trip together to Manila, Cebu and various cities in India. She was an amazing person - always smiling and caring. We will miss her.

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**Salil Bhatnagar** - July 19, 2022 at 01:47 PM

TW

“ MIA

*Dear Matt, Henry, Bea and your family & dear friends:*

*We're so sorry to hear of Mia's passing. Our hearts break with you. Mia fought so bravely and heroically every day, every hour, and every minute to be there for you. She was truly such an incredible role model of unconditional love, strength, resilience, integrity, support and true devotion to you, her children, her family and her many many friends.*

*Our families have been connected for over 16 years since Henry and my daughter, Madison, were classmates in Forest Bluff Montessori School's Young Children's Community at age 18 months through Secondary Grade 8. Bea and my son, Lincoln, were together for a small period of time in the same class with Mrs. Tate. Henry and Madison shared October birthdays with Caroline Donnelley including vivid memories of sharing this celebration together.*

*Even as a hard-working business executive and accomplished leader, Mia was always one of the first to contribute or to volunteer as a parent with Matt to the Year-End School Performance or whatever the school needed for Henry and Bea. No matter how busy she was, there always a hello on the fly; always a genuine ask on how I and your family. Gracious and elegant with poise. Even after she retired from Walgreens, she always said yes to a coffee, a walk or a chat. Mia was a wonderful listener and an excellent friend willing to share her wisdom. She was always thoughtful and selfless as she would never ask anything of others. I felt truly blessed when she let me knit her a beautiful blue wool hat which she wore on her many walks and runs. We laughed together when she told me that Bea had now taken to wearing that hat now.*

*Mia will forever be a part of the hearts of so many. Matt, you were her true partner in love and life. Henry and Bea, your happiness and*

*well-being were your mom's life's calling. Mia was so utterly devoted to you and set the example of what it means to be such an amazing wife and mother.*

*We will remember Mia forever:*

*M: Matt, Mom, Maternal, Moral, Motivated*

*I: Integrity, Inspired, Invincible, Ideal, Impartial, Impressive, Intrepid, Influential, Illuminating.*

*A: Adventurous, Authentic, Attentive, Accomplished, Appreciative, Accepting, Aspiring, Awe-inspiring*

*Sending hugs and blessings as you and your family honor Mia's amazing life and legacy. Mia, Rest In Peace. You have done well, my friend. Until we see you again.*

*We're down the street when you need us. Please ask.*

*Humbled,*

*Toby Wong with Lincoln & Madison Durchslag*

*#MiaForever #MiaScholz #BestMomEver #WifeAndPartner  
#ForeverInOurHearts #UntilWeSeeYouAgain*

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**Toby Wong** - July 09, 2022 at 11:52 PM

DW

“ *Mia was wise and highly principled. She left too soon and she will be missed.* ”

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**Denise Wong** - July 08, 2022 at 08:59 AM

MV

“ I knew Mia when she was the Controller at Walgreens and I a lowly manager. As such, there were several organizational layers between us. But I remember Mia for her insightful questions, and being a real person. She didn't put on airs and was a reasonable person. I was sad when she retired but hoped that her retirement years were lived to the full with her family. She died way too young.

Michelle Vandiver - July 06, 2022 at 03:42 PM

JC

“ I met Mia when she was an auditor. We talked travel and I was so fascinated with her. A few years later I worked for her at Walgreens. We traveled the world for work in 2009. She was one of the smartest, dedicated ladies I ever met. We share the same birthday. 8/10. I am one year older so I enjoyed welcoming her over the hill when she turned 50. Mia was an amazing lady, a great Mom and a woman who I had the utmost respect for. It was an honor to know you. God rest your soul and bless your family.

Jenny Causey - July 06, 2022 at 03:38 PM

JB

“ As chair of the Audit Committee, it was an absolute joy to work with Mia when she was at Walgreens. She was the consummate professional always engaged, incredibly smart and it was a delight to interact with her every single time. I feel blessed to have known her for a season. Rest in peace, dear Mia.

Jan Babiak - July 06, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ What a loss! Mia was a wonderful person! She and her family are in my thoughts and prayers. Bill Shiel

William Shiel - July 03, 2022 at 06:52 PM