

Lorna Luft

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To me, being grown-up meant smoking cigarettes, drinking cocktails, and dressing up in high heels and glamorous outfits.

~Lorna Luft

I spent an entire evening seated between Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly, being charmed from either side. It was pure Hollywood magic.

~Lorna Luft

The eyebrow pencil and false eyelashes were essential; my mother didn't feel dressed without them.

~Lorna Luft

One of the oddities about being Judy Garland's daughter was that everyone treated my mother with such awe that they would never have asked me the normal questions kids get about their moms.

~Lorna Luft

There are some family traditions I don't want my children to carry on.

~Lorna Luft

There is a time of reckoning in all our lives.

~Lorna Luft

Barry Manilow has gone from being the love of my life to being a friend for life.

~Lorna Luft

I was born in a blender.

~Lorna Luft

People are always asking me what it's like to be Judy Garland's daughter. It's hard to be a legend's child.

~Lorna Luft

Liza is in the tabloids almost as much as our mother was. She has struggled with her own ghosts and shadows.

~Lorna Luft

I choose not to think of my life as surviving, but coping.

~Lorna Luft

Dodi got a lot of criticism when he began dating Princess Diana. No one seemed to think he was good enough for her.

~Lorna Luft

Living in continual chaos is exhausting, frightening. The catch is that it's also very addictive.

~Lorna Luft

My mother's suicide attempts were a way to release anxiety and get attention. Some of the attempts were drug reactions she didn't even remember later on.

~Lorna Luft

Studio 54 made Halloween in Hollywood look like a PTA meeting.

~Lorna Luft

My mom was a phoenix who always expected to rise again from the ashes of her latest disaster... She loved being Judy Garland.

~Lorna Luft

Even at all my mother's concerts, I had never seen people go crazy the way they did with the Beatles.

~Lorna Luft

Fabio kept asking me out, but I knew we'd never get his ego through the door.

~Lorna Luft

Instead of joyfully looking forward to my birth, my mother began systematically preparing for her own death. She was fatalistic.

~Lorna Luft

My mother's life had been destroyed by the Garland legend.

~Lorna Luft

When I got a call from Los Angeles to do the Tonight Show, I considered it more of an inconvenience than an opportunity.

~Lorna Luft

My sister Liza and I have never felt that we were in competition.

~Lorna Luft

When I look back at The Judy Garland Show, I have such mixed feelings. It broke my mother's heart when they canceled it.

~Lorna Luft

The most memorable night of The Judy Garland Show for me was the night my mother pulled me out of the audience and sang to me onstage.

~Lorna Luft

When you're Judy Garland and you want something, you just pick up the phone and call somebody. Anybody.

~Lorna Luft

The only difference between the Bel Air of the '90s and the Bel Air of my childhood is that now the nannies are Latina instead of British, and the cars European instead of American

~Lorna Luft

I have a healthy body, free of the chemicals that once controlled it.

~Lorna Luft

A gay man has no business leading on a heterosexual woman.

~Lorna Luft

My mother was electric onstage, and I vividly recall the extraordinary power she had over her audiences

~Lorna Luft

The sicker mother got, the stranger the people surrounding her became. I called them The Garland Freaks.

~Lorna Luft

My mother wasn't rational those last years; if she had been, she would have been horrified by her own behavior.

~Lorna Luft

When my mother signed at MGM, that was the only kind of contract you could sign. There was no such thing as an independent agent.

~Lorna Luft

Being an actor is really odd. So, don't take that as your reality - take your family, take your friends, take your relationships - that's your reality. And hang on to them.

~Lorna Luft

If you really want to kill yourself, you get a gun and blow your head off

~Lorna Luft

When your parent is a public idol, you never really have a chance to lay that parent to rest.

~Lorna Luft

I have spent much of my adult life flinching with pain as I tried to pull out the threads that bound the shadows of my past to me.

~Lorna Luft

I had grown up accustomed to living a life of high drama.

~Lorna Luft

The one thing I never questioned about my mother was whether she loved me.

~Lorna Luft

I used drugs as a social activity; a way to have fun with friends.

~Lorna Luft

Life will force you to make changes you never wanted to make

~Lorna Luft

Sinatra was just one of Mom's friends.

~Lorna Luft

I think every show I do, whether I am doing eight shows a week of a Broadway show... I think, "that's a show I'll never get back"... I go home at night and I think to myself, "that was my favorite".

~Lorna Luft

I really don't look at my past and I really don't look too much to the future because I find that's sort of redundant. I really live right in the present. I live right in the now.

~Lorna Luft

I guess the only way I could describe myself is someone that lives right in the present.

~Lorna Luft

When you're in show business no matter what you're doing it's an insecure business.

~Lorna Luft

Maybe people don't know I'm a news junkie? I watch and I tape a breadth of everything that's happening in the world, and that fascinates me.

~Lorna Luft

Dinah had all the class.

~Lorna Luft

Children have a way of forcing you back into the present moment.

~Lorna Luft

Between them, my parents had 10 marriages.

~Lorna Luft

A career is all very well, but no one lives by work alone.

~Lorna Luft

A piece of advice I would give to young actors - hang on to your family, and hang on to your reality - and hang on to your "real". Because you're going into the land of make believe.

~Lorna Luft

A star needs all the rest she can get.

~Lorna Luft

One trait of addictive families is that we never recognize our own addictions.

~Lorna Luft

My mother should have been Jewish. She could have taught a class on how to induce guilt.

~Lorna Luft

Although I loved Liza as a little girl, it would be true to say I really didn't

know her.

~Lorna Luft

People come up to me as I leave the stage after a performance and tell me they saw my mother onstage with me every time I sing. I keep a sense of humor about it.

~Lorna Luft

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