Lorraine was born April 25, 1915, in Vineyard Haven, Martha’s Vineyard Island, Massachusetts to Frank and Ada Schultz.

In 1922 her family moved to Grand Rapids, Michigan where Lorraine graduated from High School. She attended Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Massachusetts.

In 1937 Lorraine and her sister Jane came to Nampa, Idaho where they attended Northwest Nazarene College. Lorraine received A.B. and B.S. degrees, took nurses training at the Samaritan Hospital, completed her R.N. degree, and was ordained a minister in the Church of the Nazarene. For over two years she pastored the Nazarene Church in Lyons, Colorado.

In 1944 she finally reached the land of her dreams—Africa. She arrived in Swaziland, and later transferred to the Republic of South Africa. In 1946 she became principal of the Bible Training College in Mozambique where she taught for 22 years. She found God’s strength and guidance in training young men and women for national leadership.

Lorraine retired in 1977 when political unrest ended her career as a missionary. She moved to Casa Robles, the Nazarene retirement center in Temple City, California.

After her retirement she began a new career in Biblical Archeology. She visited Israel twelve times and once participated in a dig as well as taking in-depth studies. She wrote several books.

Sunnyridge Retirement Center, Nampa, Idaho became Lorraine’s home in September 1994, so she could be closer to her family. She was active there as program coordinator and assistant chaplain. She passed away May 10, 1996. Her final manuscript, One Life: The Story of Lorraine Schultz was published in 1997. She was a member of College Church of the Nazarene.

Criteria for the Award

1. This scholarship is to be awarded to a junior or senior female student who is planning to enter full-time ministry as an ordained Elder or Deacon in the Church of the Nazarene;
2. Preference shall be given to female students who are planning this service as missionaries, and who have financial need;
3. Nominations shall be made by the Division of Philosophy and Religion;
4. Students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and meet other general scholarship requirements.