THE FUNERALS OF THE PUBLISHER AND JOURNALIST SILVIA VIORICA CONSTANTINESCU

Silvia Viorica Constantinescu, the editor in charge of the magazine CURIERUL RO-MÂNESC since its inaugural release in 1980, passed away, peacefully and in her sleep, on December 27, 2022, in her home in the small town of Finnerödja, in Laxå commune, Örebro county, in Sweden.



The portrait of Silvia Viorica Constantinescu present at her Funeral Ceremony. *Photo:* © *CURIERUL ROMÂNESC*.

The funerals, marked by a civic character, took place on March 1, 2023 at 2 p.m., at the Chapel of Funeral Ceremonies next to the Swedish Church in Finnerödja. The leader of the Ceremony was Theo Alex Christian Ciupitu, lawyer doctor in Law from the USA, the youngest son of the deceased, who made the presentations in English. The initial moment of recollection was accompanied by the Aria from the Third Suite for Orchestra by Johann Sebastian Bach. The ceremony continued with a retrospective presentation of the deceased, made in Swedish by Viorel Octavian Ciupitu, architect, her husband. A new musical moment followed when Isabella Staiano, niece of the deceased, sang in English, with her own guitar accompaniment, the song "You Raise Me Up" by Rolf Lövland, Brendan Graham and Kaito Okachimachi. Theo Alex Christian Ciupitu then gave a presentation in English of his mother, highlighting the creative optimism and love of life of our missing great. The ceremony ended to the uplifting tones of the "Halleluya" choral part from Georg Friedrich Handel's "Messiah" Oratorio. The ceremony chapel was filled



The tombstone marking the place of burial for Silvia Viorica Constantinescu at the Swedish Church Cemetery in the locality Finnerödja, Örebro County, Sweden.
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with members of the Ciupitu, Ciupitu-Staiano, and Ciupitu-Abrahamsson families. According to the wishes of the deceased, this Ceremony was held under the sign of optimism, love of life and light, in light colors, without mourning black clothing and without sacrificial flowers. After the Ceremony, those present took part in the burying of the cremation urn in the Graveyard Glade of Ash Urns (Askgravlunden) within the Cemetery. The place where the urn was buried is marked by a stone on which there is a bronze plate with the text engraved in relief "Silvia-Viorica Constantinescu 1940 – 2022".

On April 11, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., took place the ceremony of the unveiling on the facade of the house in Finnerödja, Laxå commune, where Silvia Viorica Constantinescu ended her life, of a commemorative plaque in English that mentions the period when she lived at that address. The respective period of residence was from May 1, 2008 to December 27, 2022. The text of the commemorative plaque highlights the training and professions exercised by the deceased: Master of Arts, teacher, librarian, journalist, writer, editor. This engraved marble commemorative plaque was placed here by the non-profit Association Publication CURIE-RUL ROMÂNESC, which has its headquarters in the same building.

We, those of the association and editors who are still alive, carry on the book publishing and publishing activity to which Silvia Viorica Constantinescu contributed over 42 years of her life.

Octavian Ciupitu.



The commemorative plaque for Silvia Viorica Constantinescu applied to the facade of the house in Furuvägen street at no. 4 from Finnerödja, Örebro County, Sweden. *Photo: © CURIERUL ROMÂNESC.*

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