



Linda Gilbert Dallam

December 13, 1950 - May 3, 2026

Linda Gilbert Dallam, 75, Amboy IL passed away on Sunday, May 3, 2026. Linda was born on December 13, 1950 to E. Dale and Mary (Hall) Gilbert. Linda attended Ashton Grade School and High School. She earned a BS in Biology Education at the University of Illinois, Champaign, and later earned a MS in Curriculum and Instruction at National College of Education, Evanston. Linda taught junior high science and health and served as Assistant Principal for Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment for District #97 Oak Park IL for 34 years. After retiring from teaching, Linda was the librarian at the Mills and Petrie Memorial Library, Ashton for 17 years.

Linda married Garth Dallam in 1984. She had one step-daughter, Christi, Chicago, IL.

Linda worked with Garth organizing the Depot Days Car, Truck and Motorcycle shows with the Amboy Car Show Committee for more than 25 years. She was a lifetime member of the First Presbyterian Church, Franklin Grove and also participated in many activities at the Lee Center Congregational United Church of Christ. She was an active member of the NEA/IEA/OPTA during her teaching years, serving as OPTA officer and grievance chairperson.

Linda is survived by her step-daughter, Christi. She is also survived by her sister, Beverly (John) Bartmess, Franklin Grove. She was proud to be Aunt Linda to many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Garth, her parents, and her sister, Genet

Anderson.

There will be no services at her request. Following cremation, a private graveside service will be held at Woodside Cemetery, Lee Center.

If you wish to make a contribution in Linda's memory, the Franklin Grove Presbyterian Church, the Lee Center Congregational Church of Christ or an animal rescue group of your choice were all special to her.

Cemetery Details

Woodside Cemetery

Lee Center, IL

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Linda in the fall of 1993. I was preparing to be a student teacher in Chicago Public Schools, but because of a work stoppage from CPS teachers, I was suddenly told I would student teach in Oak Park. I didn't know it at the time, but that moment changed my life, largely because of the impact Linda had and still has on me as a person and educator. Linda was my cooperating teacher, who then became my mentor and colleague. Her ability to articulate what needed to be said in a kind and professional manner, while holding everyone accountable was remarkable to witness. Not a week has gone by since I stepped into her classroom 32 years ago that I haven't been guided by her. The times I enjoyed in Amboy around a bonfire, camping in a cornfield, and getting to know Garth are dear to me. We were lucky to know her.

Seth Baker - May 21 at 08:26 PM

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“ As friends of Tom and Susanna Anderson we are aware of the sorrows the family of Linda and Garth have been through in the last several months and we'll be praying for you. Tommy and Laura Thomas

Tommy Thomas - May 05 at 12:42 AM

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Prayers and condolences for the family.

Terri Rostad - May 05 at 10:14 PM

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“ *My Condolences. I have such great memories of both Linda and Garth regarding the summer picnic weekends that occurred at my In-laws Park. (Morris Park). All the conversations between Linda picking on Garth and his rumblings and mumbling setting up for the big weekends along side Dave and Steve. Prayers and hugs to Christi and family.*

Jean Morris

Jean Morris - May 04 at 08:53 PM