



## Linda Dummett

February 19, 1942 - November 24, 2010

Linda Hutson Dummett, 68, of Dixon left this life on Wednesday, November 24 2010 after a courageous battle with a rare form of cancer. She was born February 19, 1942 to Henry and Edna Hutson in Sparta, Wisconsin. Her family moved to Illinois in 1951 where they established their residence in the Rochelle area. Linda graduated from Rochelle Township High School in 1960 and the University of Illinois in 1965. She received her M.S. in Education in early childhood from Northern Illinois University in 1976. She began teaching young special needs children in Lee County and later taught early childhood classes for the Ogle County Co-op. She retired from the Rochelle Elementary School District in 2005 after 30 years of teaching handicapped and disadvantaged pre-school children. She married Dan Dummett in Madison, Wisconsin on October 9, 1999. Linda was a gracious, intelligent, and compassionate woman. She loved God with all her heart and soul and attributed that love to her devotion of serving the handicapped. God's creation of the natural world around us inspired her love of gardening and flowers. She will be missed by her husband, Dan Dummett, his daughters Jill Dummett of Miami, Florida, Jenny Earll of Jupiter, Florida, and Jamie Edwards of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida and his five grandchildren Garrett, Samantha, Morgan, Peyton, and Levi, her brothers Richard (Kathleen) Hutson of Albany, California, Lee (Mary) of McFarland, Wisconsin, sisters Carol (Ron) Rand of Rockford, Illinois, Kathleen (George) Bouska of Oregon, Illinois, and Jane Allen of San Diego, California, and many dear nieces, nephews, and special

friends. She was preceded in death by her infant sons Brian and John William McLane, brother-in-law Dan Allen, her nephew Jamie Rand, an infant niece, Patricia Hutson and her parents Henry and Edna Hutson. Services will be held at Jones Funeral Home in Dixon on Saturday November 27th at 2:00 pm. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Dixon following the funeral. Visitation will be on Friday from Nov. 26, 2010 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the funeral home. Donations may be given to the KSB Hospice, 215 E. First St. Suite 111, Dixon, IL 61021.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Linda Dummett*

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October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Linda Dummett*

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December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Linda's passing. We know she has been suffering and now is in a better place. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Bob and Sharon Brockwell** - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

“ I cannot begin to imagine this world without Linda's presence. I learned so much from her as a teacher but more importantly as a friend. Linda was an avid reader, a "health nut" before it was common, a lover of life and all living things - especially plants and cats. As a fresh graduate, I was thirsty for knowledge. Linda was a master teacher. Her intelligence, expertise in young children, compassion for those in need and love of life were inspiring and contagious. Linda was not only physically beautiful, she was a very classy lady. She was charming, but had a very strong sense of who she was - a strong woman. I respected her immensely and still do. Linda created magical moments. One of my favorite memories of the many times we were together was when she invited me to go with her to Chicago to the ballet. I had never been before, so thought it might be a fun adventure. We sat in the balcony and were reviewing the program when an announcement was made. I still remember the exact quote... "Substituting for Kevin MacKenzie will be Mikhail Baryshnikov." We both looked at each other, mouths open, gasped and savored each moment of that performance. It was truly a remarkable event. Linda was an excellent listener and confidant. For that I will be eternally grateful. Her wisdom, humor and generous spirit have always been appreciated. I guess it doesn't surprise me that she fought this beast called cancer so gallantly, gracefully and with such dignity. Linda was a fighter. Her spirit remains strong. The last thing I said to Linda in the hospital as we were saying our goodbyes, was, "So long twinkle toes. Go dance in the sky." I can't help but think Linda is dancing with those she cherished... her parents, her nephew, her sons. For those of us who remain here on this planet...the loss is immense, but I can't help but thank my lucky stars that Linda Hutson McLane Dummett was a part of my life. What a blessing she has been!!

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Bev Cicolello - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Dan,  
*I am very saddened at your loss. This is a most difficult time but I hope and pray that strength will be yours with such a huge loss in your life and that your friends stand by you for comfort and solice.*

*Kindest and personal regards,*

*Phil Chilcote*

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**Philip Chilcote** - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *Linda will be missed. She had class, and was great fun to be with. One of her distinguishing features was her laugh. She was generous with it; it was hearty, warm, contagious, and genuine. I can still hear it...*

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**Bruce Powers** - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *Linda was so gracious and strong. I am blessed to have met her. I know her family will miss her so much. The world is better for having her here. I will always remember her dignity, her humility and the compassion and love that she radiated. - kir*

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**Kevin Ian Reid** - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ While it has been several decades since I last saw and spoke with Linda, my late 60's/early 70's friendship acquaintanceship with Linda left me with an indelible impression of her as a genuinely kind and caring person (too rare a set of qualities, it seems, in this hectic modern world.

*My sincerest sympathies to all Linda's family members.*

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**mike heckman** - November 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM