



Linda May Morrissey

July 27, 1947 - January 11, 2022

Linda May Morrissey (Hubbell) of Rockford Born on 07/27/47 in Princeton, Illinois. Graduate of Amboy High School. Air Force Honorably Discharged A2C E-3. Dixon Correctional Center (retired). She is survived by: Daughters Christine Ryan and Katie (Vincent) Spiritosanto, son J.P. Morrissey, ex-husband Larry Morrissey, Life-Partner: Connie Heinze, daughters Lorie (Brian) Nutt and Lisa (Jon) Carel, son Brett (Jeanne) Heinze and 10 grandchildren: Michael, Audrey, Tess, Johnny, Talia, Noah, Maverick, Liam, Gavin and Zoe. Brothers Dennis Hubbell (Sybil), Mike Hubbell (Julie) Jim Hubbell (Laura) and countless nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by Roy Hubbell (father), Leroy Zentz, (stepfather) Jean Zentz (mother) Jeff Hubbell (brother) Tommy Hubbell (brother). Visitation to be held Friday Jan. 14, 2022 at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home 303 E. Main St. Amboy IL. Visitation 10:00am-1:00pm with a service at 1pm. A Celebration of Life at Amboy Community Building immediately following 280 W. Wasson Rd. Amboy IL. Flowers may be sent to Mihm-Jones Funeral Home or donations to Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling at 4990 E. State St. Rockford, IL 61108. Linda May Hubbell was born in Princeton, Illinois to Jean and Roy Hubbell. She became a caretaker at an early time in her life, setting a precedent of lifelong selflessness. Filling the role of caregiver to her brothers; Dennis, Mike, Jeff and Jim kept her busy. But Linda always found time to raise a little hell and polished quite a bit of brass at the Amboy High School. Linda was looking for something bigger than her small-town upbringing, and headed to the Air Force in Amarillo, Texas. In

addition to entertaining the airmen, she was tasked with processing discharges and was herself honorably discharged in 1967. Her time spent in the Air Force expanded her views of the world and culture, and prepared her for her next big adventure. Linda spent the next couple years in Chicago working for an insurance company. She was present for the Democratic National Convention in 1967 and witnessed the riots. It was a defining moment in her life and elevated her beliefs of equality, and especially, women's rights. Her employer insisted she return to Amboy for her safety, and this is when the next chapter began. She married Larry Morrissey in October, 1971 and her family grew exponentially. In addition to her 3 children, she gained several in-laws, and dozens and dozens of nieces and nephews. She was a favorite of many with her trendsetting ways and wit. She was a window to a different world and way of thinking, and always had the crowd's attention. There were tough times, for sure, but she always seemed to make lemonade. After several years in Shannon, another turn of events landed her in Dixon working at the Dixon Correctional Center, where she formed lifelong friendships. All of her coworkers have shared that she always had the respect of the inmates, and if anything ever went down, mom would be spared. During her time in Dixon, she saw her oldest children exceed academically and her youngest daughter follow the path she chose in high school...the fun path. She was always so proud of each of them. The college degrees, the enormous talent of her favorite son, the careers all of them excel at, and the countless laughs they bring to so many. Her family grew once again when she met her one and only Rosie. They spent 30+ years together, with just as many moves. Between moving their children, living a part and living together, they put miles and miles on brother Jim's truck. There was always a team to help, begrudgingly at times, but they showed up. Mom knew family was everything and friends were a gift. She spent her life caring unconditionally for others and will be missed tremendously.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
Amboy, IL 61310
(815) 857-2611
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

JAN 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
Amboy, IL 61310
(815) 857-2611
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

A Celebration of Life

JAN 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

Amboy Community Center
280 W Wasson Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Tribute Wall

SB

“ Linda was my roommate in the USAF (Amarillo). I think about her all the time, we called her “HUBBLE”. Last name use was common in the “Service”. She called me “DARGIN”. We shared some good times!! Being from Atlanta GA (in those times), I had NEVER had such close interaction with a WHITE person, but my being BLACK meant nothing to Linda, we cared for and about each other. I met a guy, got pregnant, married and was discharged in ‘66. Lost touch with so many of my fellow friends. My most fond memory of Linda was “Ironing her hair” for her! I, of course had never heard of such a thing, but she would just lean over the board, and say “go ahead, do it”! Her blonde hair was beautiful curly or “ironed”! Thinking of her today, I googled - “Linda Hubble/Amboy, IL”, so sorry to hear that she’s gone. My condolences to the family and friends. Susan Dargin, now Susan Briggs.

Susan Briggs - February 04, 2025 at 04:31 PM

CR

Susan,

Thank you so much for sharing your memories. I can remember Mom mention you many times through the years. Always with a smile. And she would have loved to have reconnected.

Please reach out if you would like to

Sincerely,

Christine Morrissey Ryan
7792004934

Christine Ryan - January 29 at 11:42 PM



“ Linda May Morrissey

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Linda May Morrissey*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Hubbell and I watched the presidential returns when John Kennedy ran with my mom. Mom made it so exciting and she was so into it that we were cheering with her. I think that is the first time either one of us paid attention to politics. We have been sole mates with politics every since and Hubbell always contribute it to my moms influence.*

I could go on and on with memories I was lucky enough to share with my dear friend. I will always be grateful that I was lucky enough to call her friend and share so many wonderful times with her.

Linda (Fisher) Friel

Linda Friel - January 19, 2022 at 03:24 PM



“ *On Halloween Sharon Mihm had a slumber party at her home which was upstairs to the funeral home. Since there was no funerals going on we stayed downstairs. One of the many highlights was being locked in the embalming room, roaming the streets of Amboy, and telling all kinds of stories to make us laugh until we cried. Of course Hubbell was at the center of all of it. Some of my favorite memories.*

Linda (Fischer) Friel

Linda Friel - January 19, 2022 at 03:06 PM

LF

“ In high school the principal gave all the boys a free pass to miss school and go hunting. Linda's, Hack, Hubbell, and myself felt like we should get the same pass even thou we didn't hunt. Well we were wrong and you would have thought we were escaped prisoners. Kattie, and all three of our mothers were out as part of the search team. When we got caught and taken to the principals office he did not buy our resoning about the pass to skip.. we were sentenced to weeks of polishing brass around the school. To help pass the time we would sing and dance the time away. Unbeknownst to us they were having a teachers meeting the floor below us. We thought for sure we would be polishing silver after that but we lucked out and were just told to quite down.

Linda (Fischer) Friel

Linda Friel - January 19, 2022 at 02:50 PM

LE

“ Never forget the time she came home from grocery shopping and bought bagels. I had never eaten a bagel with cream cheese on till she opened up the pack and the cream cheese and from that moment on I was hooked. Till this day every time I fix one I would think of her. Thanks for the calories Linda. ❤️

lexi Etchberger - January 19, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda May Morrissey.



January 14, 2022 at 12:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Linda May Morrissey.



January 12, 2022 at 06:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Linda May Morrissey.



January 12, 2022 at 05:05 PM