



Linda Sue Franklin

April 4, 1952 - April 6, 2018

Linda Sue Franklin, 66, of Mason City, died Friday (April 6, 2018) at the Southern Hills Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada.

A Funeral Service will be 10:30 am Saturday (April 14, 2018) at Epiphany Parish- Holy Family Catholic Church, 722 N. Adams, Mason City with Reverend Neil Manternach officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood-St. Joseph Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 5pm until 7 pm, on Friday (April 13, 2018) at Hogan-Bremer-Moore Colonial Chapel, 126 3rd St. NE, Mason City.

Linda Sue Hevlin was born on April 4, 1952, a daughter of Raymond and Margaret (Smith) Hevlin in Des Moines, Iowa. She graduated from North High School in Des Moines in 1970 before attending UNI, where she met the love of her life, John Franklin in 1972. The couple married on February 10, 1973 and to this union, three children were born, Michael, Jeffrey and Traci.

Linda and her family moved to Mason City in 1983, and she began working as a Para for Jefferson Elementary in 1988. She retired in 2005.

After retirement, Linda and John enjoyed wintering in Laughlin, Nevada in their RV. She also enjoyed “working”, crafting, and bowling with friends. Linda was a wonderful cook, her fried chicken and Christmas Candy Plates were a family favorite, but most importantly she loved her family, especially her grandchildren. She loved to have fun and never met a stranger.

Those left to cherish her memory is her husband, John Franklin; her children, Michael (Daydra) Franklin, Jeffrey (LeKisha) Franklin, and Traci (Dustin) Moorehead; her grandchildren, Kenzie Moorehead, Bailey Franklin, Keely Moorehead, Brandon Franklin, and Elijah Franklin; her mother-in-law, Helen Stover, as well as many other extended family and friends.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Margaret (Smith) Hevlin, and her sister, Barbra Ann.

What we will miss most is her amazing hugs!

Cemetery

Events

Elmwood-St. Joseph Cemetery

1224 South Washington

Mason City, IA,

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Funeral Service

10:30AM

Epiphany Parish Holy Family Catholic Church
714 N Adams Ave, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

Comments



“ John, Mike, Jeff & Traci: I was shocked and saddened to see Linda's obituary. I have many fond memories of her from the days we worked together at Jefferson. You knew when Linda was in the building by her hearty laugh and not-so-quiet presence. She gave out hugs freely and was fun to be around. She cared for the safety of the Jefferson kids and would go the extra mile for anyone, student or staff member. We're mourning her passing but I can hear her laughter and see her smiling face. Ours is the pain of her absence; hers is the joy of God's presence. Rest in peace my friend. Hugs.

Judy - April 13, 2018 at 08:59 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 13, 2018 at 08:03 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 12, 2018 at 09:38 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 12, 2018 at 08:23 PM



“ John and Family I am so sorry to hear of Linda passing She will be missed by all of you You are in my thoughts and prayers Jim Rottinghaus

Jim Rottinghaus - April 12, 2018 at 07:17 PM



“ Linda and I have been friends for 50 years. Where did that time go? And why did it end too soon?

We met in band. I was so glad to see another female trumpet player; girls just didn't play brass instruments then. We became instant friends, even though we were different in many ways. I am short, Linda is tall. I am shy. Linda is not. She was my best supporter and encourager. I spent a lot of time at the Hevlin house. We went to UNI together. We were in each other's weddings. Life took us in different directions, but we managed to stay in touch, even on the days without texts and facebook. I tried to get her to do Facebook, but she wouldn't. Stubborn as always. We did snail mail, and eventually email. The last couple of years, we met each summer at Hickory Park in Ames. The hours flew by as we talked. Last summer, we hugged goodbye and said same place, same time next year. Wouldn't miss it. We exchanged Christmas greetings. She sent me a BD email in March, without a suggestion that she was not feeling well. I sent her a BD greeting in April and said I owed her a long catch up email, which I hoped to do this week. As I know now, she didn't get either. That hug last summer is the last from her. I loved her dearly, and her passing leaves an empty spot in my heart, as well as many other people who loved her. Rest in peace, my dear friend. God speed on your heavenly journey.
Cheryl Lowe

Cheryl Lowe - April 12, 2018 at 06:24 PM



“ Our condolences to John and the family. We are so sorry for your loss. Larry and Julie Emmons.

Larry Emmons - April 12, 2018 at 03:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 12, 2018 at 02:49 PM



“ Mike, Jeff, Traci...I'm so sorry about the passing of your mom. She was a hoot! Every time I saw her, she always had a smile and a hearty laugh. When I would ask about you kids, her eyes lit up and she couldn't wait to fill me in on what you were doing. It was easy to tell that she was very proud of all of you. It's very hard to lose your mom that you loved so very much. Hold on tight to each other!

Sherrie Burt - April 12, 2018 at 01:20 PM



“ Cheryl Lowe lit a candle in memory of Linda Sue Franklin



Cheryl Lowe - April 11, 2018 at 10:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 11, 2018 at 10:34 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 11, 2018 at 10:13 PM



“ Phil And Chris Bly lit a candle in memory of Linda Sue Franklin



Phil and Chris Bly - April 11, 2018 at 09:59 PM



“ John, Michael, Jeffrey & Traci,

It was an honor to have Linda as a friend. Each summer when I came back to Iowa I would run into to her at Hy-Vee and we'd catch up on things. Let all of your wonderful memories get you through the days ahead, helping you to find peace and comfort.

Jacki Burkes



Jacki Burkes (Lowe) - April 11, 2018 at 09:32 PM



“ Becky & Denny Thoms lit a candle in memory of Linda Sue Franklin



Becky & Denny Thoms - April 11, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Franklin.



April 11, 2018 at 06:54 PM