



## Linda Lea Gurley

March 26, 1939 - August 30, 2022

Linda Lea Gurley, age 83, a resident of rural Buncombe, Illinois, passed away Tuesday morning, August 30, 2022, at 9:55 AM at the Union County Hospital in Anna.

Linda was born March 26, 1939 in Union County, Illinois. She was the daughter of Truman Charles Merriman and Bertha Violet (Robertson) Merriman.

On June 1, 1957, Linda was united in marriage to Ray Gurley at Buncombe, Illinois. He preceded her in death on August 13, 2022.

Linda is survived by: her sons – Ron (Sherry) Gurley of Dixon, Illinois and Jerrold (Eva) Gurley of Franklin Grove; 6 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, Linda was preceded in death by: an infant grandson; a brother – Truman C. Merriman, Jr.; and a sister – Agnes Ellen Dunn.

Linda was a 1957 graduate of Vienna High School. She was employed by BorgWarner Manufacturing in Dixon, Illinois until her retirement.

Linda enjoyed sewing and baking. She and Ray were inseparable and always together. They enjoyed drives in the country, traveling and taking family vacations. Along with Ray, her parents, sister and brother-in-law, Linda had visited all 48 contiguous states. Ray and Linda also enjoyed finding treasures at flea markets and garage sales.

Linda was a member of the Whiteash Free Will Baptist Church near Marion.

A service honoring the life of Linda Gurley will be held Thursday afternoon, September 1, 2022, at 1 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Andy Lee will officiate. Burial will be in the Mt. Zion Cemetery, east of Buncombe.

Visitation will be held Thursday afternoon, September 1, 2022, from 12 Noon until 1 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Donations in memory of Linda may be made to the Dravet Syndrome Foundation, Inc. (in honor of Ray and Linda's grandson, Hayden Gurley), and may be mailed to P.O. Box 3026, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034. Please memo "Linda Gurley memorial".

Donations may also be made online at [www.dravetfoundation.org](http://www.dravetfoundation.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Zion Cemetery

Buncombe, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
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## Service

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Linda Lea Gurley*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Robert & Brenda Ames lit a candle in memory of Linda Lea Gurley*



**Robert & Brenda Ames** - August 31, 2022 at 10:00 PM



*Our prayers are with you. Linda and Ray were always so nice and a pleasure to be around. We truly enjoyed visiting with them at auctions or just when they stopped by. Please accept our condolences.  
Carl and Suzanne Dillow*

**Suzanne Dillow** - September 01, 2022 at 09:05 AM



“ *Paula Evans lit a candle in memory of Linda Lea Gurley*



**Paula Evans** - August 31, 2022 at 07:21 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of  
Linda Lea Gurley*



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**Nancy Breeden** - August 31, 2022 at 12:16 PM

SJ

“ *Steve & Darla Jones lit a candle in memory of  
Linda Lea Gurley*



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**Steve & Darla Jones** - August 31, 2022 at 10:08 AM