



Linda Louise Dunmire

March 10, 1939 - September 30, 2023

Linda Louise Dunmire, of Albany, Oregon, passed away peacefully on September 30, 2023, at home surrounded by family. She was 84 years old.

Linda was born in Corvallis, Oregon, on March 10, 1939, to Elbert and Bernice Elliott. At the age of 2, Linda was adopted by her maternal aunt and raised by Helen and Lewis McReynolds in Park Place, Oregon, where she attended grade school. The family later moved to Oregon City where she attended junior high and high school.

Linda was an excellent student and a 3-year participant in the Oregon City Dancing Majorettes dance drill team. The team was featured on the cover of Parade Magazine in 1955 with Linda prominently pictured in the front position of the layout. After graduating from Oregon City High School in 1957, Linda attended Portland State College majoring in Secretarial Science. She could type more than 130 wpm and could take shorthand dictation in excess of 150 wpm. In addition, she was an exemplary speller and remained so her entire life.

On March 5, 1960, she married Fredrick Dunmire and together they celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary earlier this year. They lived the first years of their married life in Oregon City and in August of 1964, she and Fred purchased Waverly Motors in Albany, Oregon, later known as Dunmire

Nissan. They bought their first hobby farm in 1973, where they enjoyed raising their three children and caring for the many farm animals. Linda raised chickens, guinea fowl, ducks, a goat, sheep, and many cats and dogs over her lifetime—every one of them precious in her eyes. Those years on the farm were especially rewarding as she truly loved animals.

Linda joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1971 and remained an active member serving in many positions over the years. Her favorite calling was Primary Chorister, where she planned, taught, and directed music for the children's singing time each Sunday.

She is survived by her husband Fred Dunmire and 3 children, Laurie Dunmire of Albany, Mark [Erin] Dunmire of Monmouth, Ray Dunmire, otherwise known as Rachel Dunmire, of Plant City, Florida; 8 grandchildren, Courtney Hiersche, Braden Beer, Garrett [Stefani] Beer, Connor Beer, Dean [Rae] Dunmire, Keegan Dunmire, Jocelyn Dunmire, Eliya Dunmire; and 4 great grandchildren, Hudson & Scarlett Hiersche and Emily & Liam Beer; as well as 2 half-sisters, Gracie [John] Hardelben of Jefferson, and Diana Lawler of Eugene.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1615 SE 28th Avenue, Albany, Oregon, on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in memory of Linda Dunmire to SafeHaven Humane Society, 32220 Old Hwy 34, Tangent, Oregon 97389.

Cemetery Details

Willamette Memorial Park

2640 Old Salem Rd
Albany, OR 97321

Tribute Wall

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“ *Susan Loomis lit a candle in memory of Linda Dunmire*



Susan Bartell Loomis - October 14, 2023 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Very sorry to hear about Linda's passing. She was a wonderful lady. Unfortunately, we will not be able to attend her service. Prayers for you and your family. Bruce and Barbara Inselman*

Barbara K Inselman - October 11, 2023 at 01:03 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss Fred. I never got the opportunity to meet your wife, but I know what it's like to lose your partner. My wife Joanne passed away last year in November after battling cancer. I sincerely hope and pray that your support system is a good one and that your memories will carry you through the grief you are now dealing with. God Bless you and your family during these tough times.*

Randy Camp - October 10, 2023 at 10:09 AM

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“ *Lisa Bjornstad lit a candle in memory of Linda Dunmire*



Lisa Bjornstad - October 04, 2023 at 12:38 AM