



## Lou Anne Guilford

July 13, 1963 - October 5, 2016

Lou Anne Guilford of Lafayette, Indiana passed peacefully on Oct. 5, 2016 following her battle with ovarian cancer. She was born in Hawkinsville, Georgia on July 13, 1963 to the late Larry and Ruth Jo Pyle. Following her mother's death in 1964, she was raised by her paternal grandparents Ernest and Zula Pyle and her father until he remarried in 1967. She was adopted by her stepmother Sue Borton Pyle who survives.

Lou Anne was a graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School in 1981 and Purdue University in Lafayette in 1985. She lived in Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, and Indiana throughout her life, but always considered the family farm in Mentone, Indiana her home. While living in Florida, she met the love of her life, her husband, David Guilford. Together they spent many years happily married and raised two sons, Corey and Cody. She enjoyed running, biking, swimming, camping, drawing, painting, and writing.

Lou Anne was a loving and devoted mother, wife, and true and trusted friend to many. She was a dedicated and valued employee, working in Analytical Chemistry, Information Technology, and Instructional Design for the same company for 28 years.

Lou Anne is survived by her best friend David Guilford; her sons Corey and Cody Guilford of Lafayette; stepmother Sue Pyle; two brothers Kevin and wife

Janet and Brian and wife Melissa Pyle; many nieces and nephews, extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her mother Ruth Jo Fields Pyle; father Larry Pyle; sister Jennifer Pyle Witham; grandparents and many extended family members.

Time and Date of Memorial Services: 3:00 pm, Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2016 at Bethany Presbyterian Church 3305 Longlois Dr, Lafayette, Indiana with memorial visitation 1 hour prior to the memorial service. Then a memorial service will be held at 3:00 pm, Thursday, Oct. 13, 2016 at King Memorial Home 101 N. Tucker St, Mentone, Indiana with memorial visitation 1 hour prior to the memorial service.

Minister: Rev. Kevin Bowers

Place of Burial: Mentone Cemetery, Mentone, Indiana

Memorial Contributions to: In lieu of flowers, Lou Anne requested donations to be made to Camp Mak-A-Dream P.O. Box 1450, Missoula, Montana 59806 or the National Alliance of Ovarian Cancer Survivors to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance PO Box 32141 New York, NY 10087-2141

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# Cemetery Details

## Mentone Cemetery

Morgan St Jefferson Street  
Mentone, IN 46539

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

OCT 11. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Bethany Presbyterian Church  
3305 Longlois Dr  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Lou Anne Guilford



Hartzler Funeral Services - October 07, 2016 at 04:42 PM

YK

*My Dearest Lou Anne,*

*From the moment I met you at camp I instantly I felt connected to you. Our friendship quickly flourished and we became close friends in such a short time.*

*Lou Anne, you were such a teacher of life to so many, but especially to me. The things that I have learned from you shall be with me always. I am the woman today because of your compassion, wisdom, love, and most of all your incredible gift of friendship. You will always be in my heart and I shall never forget you or all of the things you taught me. Your never ending smile and your kindness to all who knew you will be a memory that will live with me forever.*

*I have so many happy memories that we have created together. Those memories sustain me now as I grieve your passing. I am so fortunate to have called you my friend and I will miss you all of the days of my life.*

*Rest well my friend.*

*Love, Yvonne*

Yvonne Rua de King - October 09, 2016 at 03:05 PM



“ To a very speical person whom I called my sister I will miss the time you and I and the family spent together working at mom and dads farm in Mentone I will miss you and the times we spent together working and talking about life I love you and will always miss you sis (the sister I never had) love you always and forever Janet Lee

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**Janet Lee** - December 22, 2016 at 04:12 AM



“ Lou Anne was a close friend all through high school, although we were in different grades. She lent me her dress for my prom that I loved with a beautiful wide skirt, blue and pink flowers. I visited her at Purdue where she tried to get me to come, but I was a country girl and the campus was overwhelming to me. After college we wrote Christmas cards every year to keep track of where we were. Several years ago when I went home for my high school reunion, she was visiting her dad and we met in Warsaw. It was there that the famed motorcycle picture was taken. She was so vibrant and we talked for hours about where people were and what had become of our high school friends. We communicated via public media and had fond memories of growing up in a small town, and Tippy Valley especially marching in band. My condolences to her whole family as she was loved greatly.

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**Marilyn King Stahl** - October 11, 2016 at 06:01 PM

AJ

“ I first met Lou Anne seven years ago in a running club. We were encouraged to run together as we ran at the same pace - slow. :) I'm so glad for that chance meeting as we quickly became friends. The following year we trained for a triathlon together and have since shared many other wonderful memories from camping trips to craft nights to pottery classes. I learned so much about how I want to live life from Lou Anne. I will love and miss her always.



April Johnson - October 10, 2016 at 01:52 PM

BC

Lou Anne and I worked for the same company, she in Indiana and I in Connecticut. I first met her in West Lafayette when she was teaching a course on developing corporate training material. After a subsequent reorganization she became my education manager and in almost no time my friend. I called her my super achiever because no matter how long it took her, she would always do her absolute best to meet the deadline. She was a teacher in the fullest sense of the word, sharing her wonder and commitment to celebrate life to the fullest. I learned about the family's memory Christmas tree where every year a new ornament, with detailed explanation attached, was made to celebrate a memory from the past year. She told me about the leprechaun pranks they played on each other. Even when taking chemo, she continued to go all out for Halloween. I admired her sense of and devotion to her husband and children. I could go on and on about how she taught me to live life. She did not use cancer as a legitimate excuse to take it easy. Instead, she tackled it with her usual determination and research, teaching us all along the way in detailed reports how this is to be done. She reached out to her sisters battling cancer in exercise groups and flew out west many times between treatments to camps for survivors. She had a bucket list and she continued chipping away on it, sleeping in a haunted castle, reviewing her marriage vows in Arizona, sailing off the coast of New England. And then as she faced the Hospice decision, she developed guidelines to help us select the best care. To the end, she was my super achiever and my teacher.

Barbara Cunningham - October 11, 2016 at 11:14 AM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Lou Anne Guilford.*



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October 09, 2016 at 11:55 PM



“ *Cheryl Howard lit a candle in memory of Lou Anne Guilford*



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**Cheryl Howard** - October 09, 2016 at 10:42 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I'm sorry for your loss.*

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**Lee Ann Rock** - October 09, 2016 at 07:29 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**yvonne** - October 09, 2016 at 05:38 PM

YK

“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Yvonne Rua de King** - October 09, 2016 at 03:42 PM

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“ *Yvonne Rua De King lit a candle in memory of Lou Anne Guilford*



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**Yvonne Rua de King** - October 09, 2016 at 03:36 PM

KP

“ *To my sister that loved me for who I was and never judged me and would come to the farm and help with the work on the farm I love you and never will forget you Miss you a lot your brother Kevin*



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**Kevin Dean Pyle** - October 09, 2016 at 07:57 AM



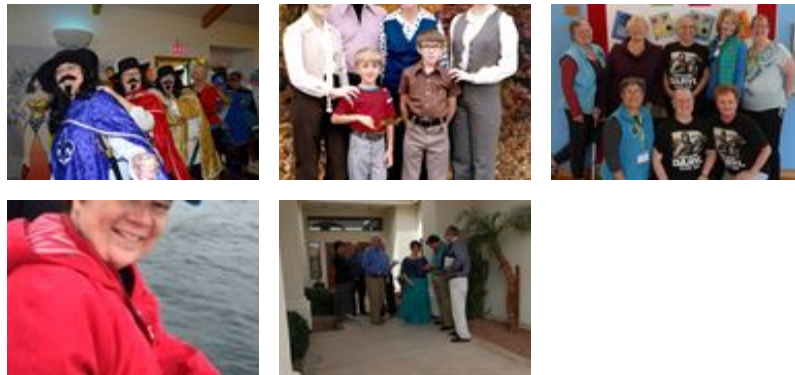
“ This year was my first trip to Camp Mak a Dream, and I was so blessed to meet Lou Anne there! She was and remains such an inspiration. She helps me to believe it is possible to find happiness while facing this dreadful cancer. Thank you Lou Anne! Our lives crossed briefly but she made such a huge impression on me. A very special lady. Thank you Lou Anne! Peace and love to you and your family.  
Chris Trachtenbarg

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Christine Trachtenbarg - October 08, 2016 at 07:48 PM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



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Hartzler Funeral Services - October 07, 2016 at 04:36 PM

YK

*Dear Dave, Corey, and Cody,*

*I am so sorry for your incredible loss. I wish I had just the right words to say to ease your pain.*

*Words seem inadequate to express the sadness Jerry and I feel about Lou Anne's passing. As you grieve know that we are remembering you and honoring the memory of Lou Anne who gave so much to so many. She was one of the most amazing women I have ever known.*

*Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow.*

*Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.*

*Love, Yvonne and Jerry*

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**Yvonne Rua de King** - October 09, 2016 at 03:30 PM

HO


“ *Prayers and strength for Dave, Corey, and Cody and the rest of the extended family. I'm so sorry for the passing of Lou Anne. She was one of the first friends Mark and I made when we moved here and worked together at Great Lakes Chemical, first in the labs with Mark, then later on at corporate in the computer department near me.*

*Love and Peace.*

*Helen O'Mara*

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**Helen O'Mara** - October 07, 2016 at 02:48 PM

 Amy Lamott

“ *Amy Lamott lit a candle in memory of Lou Anne Guilford*



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**Amy Lamott** - October 07, 2016 at 12:32 PM

TB

“ Tom & Teresa Breading lit a candle in memory of Lou Anne Guilford



Tom & Teresa Breading - October 07, 2016 at 10:24 AM

TB

*I will miss you greatly, Lou Anne. I know you are in a better place, but you still will be missed. You will forever be my friend. I can't remember not knowing you, but I will remember you the rest of my life.*

Teresa Breading - October 07, 2016 at 10:34 AM

RF

“ Rebecca Fisher lit a candle in memory of Lou Anne Guilford



Rebecca Fisher - October 06, 2016 at 06:19 PM

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