



Linda Sue Grateke

June 4, 1946 - April 13, 2026

Linda Sue Grateke, 79, of Silex, Missouri, passed away on Monday, April 13, 2026, surrounded by her family at Sugar Creek Assisted Living with the Arbors in Troy, Missouri. She was born on June 4, 1946, on their family farm in Silex, Missouri, and was the daughter of Clement “Dutch” S. and Rosalie A. (Peters) Mudd. Linda married her high school sweetheart, Robert “Bob” Lee Grateke, on April 24, 1965, at the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church in Millwood, Missouri, and to this union two daughters and one son were born.

Linda graduated from Silex High School in 1964. She worked various jobs over her lifetime, including at the Garment Factory in Troy, as a mail carrier in Hawk Point, and finally as an Oats Bus driver for over two decades until she retired, building many long-lasting relationships with her passengers. Even though Linda held many jobs the one job that never changed was being the most dedicated mother and grandmother. She valued the time she spent raising her kids and helping her husband on the farm. Linda was devoted to her community. She was a member of the St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Hawk Point and spent several years on the Parish Council. She was active with the Ladies Extension Club and the Silex Booster Club. She was a familiar face at the Silex and Hawk Point ball fields, and the Silex basketball gym where she was named the “Fan of the Year” by the Silex Booster Club in 1998. Family was Linda’s top priority; she was present for every school event and ball game

for her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. The family enjoyed the memories they made during their annual trips to Lake of the Ozarks and camping trips at Gapsch Park with their good friends and family. She loved spending her days gardening, caring for her flowers and landscaping. Linda frequently went on side-by-side rides with her dogs Snookie, Kelly, Dandy, and Old Bo. Linda held a special place in her heart for her dogs and farm cats. She also loved walking to the pond in the evenings and feeding the fish with Bob and the grandkids. The grandkids loved their annual birthday shopping trips with Grandma because she just didn't know how to say no. She was a sports enthusiast, with a deep love for the St. Louis Cardinals and the Tennessee Women's Basketball team. Linda had a love for reading, especially when her kids were out, she would read late into the night until all of them arrived home and were safe and sound. She looked forward to her monthly dinners out with her high school friends and cousins, and her monthly Bunco games. Her gentle smile and words of wisdom will be missed.

Linda is survived by her loving husband of 60 years, Robert "Bob" Grateke; two daughters and one son: Susan Grateke, Dena Capps (Scott) and Neal Grateke (Melinda); one sister, Clemma Fox (Gerald); one sister-in-law, Renee Fanger; grandchildren: Erica (Dustin), Carley, Jacob (Timani), Adison, Julia, Kara, Alex, Sara and Samantha; great-grandchildren: Ava, Carter, Hazel and Briar, nieces, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother-in-law, Jim Fanger.

Family and friends will be received from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17, 2026 at KEMPER-KEIM Family Funeral Chapel located at 41 Farm Lane Hawk Point, MO 63349. Funeral mass will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at St. Mary's Catholic Church located at 458 Main Street Hawk Point, MO 63349. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to Silex Booster Club in care of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral P.O. Box 222 Troy,

MO 63379.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel; 41 Farm Lane Hawk Point, MO 63349. Online condolences may be made at www.kemperkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com Phone 636-338-4375

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel - Hawk Point
41 Farm Lane
Hawk Point, MO 63349
(636) 338-4375
millardchapel@aol.com

Mass

APR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic
458 Main St.
Hawk Point, MO 63349

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.*



April 17 at 08:23 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.*



April 17 at 06:52 AM



“ *Caleb & Gina and Travis & Bethany purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.*



Caleb & Gina and Travis & Bethany - April 16 at 01:27 PM



“ *Caleb & Gina and Travis & Bethany planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Gateke.*

Caleb & Gina and Travis & Bethany - April 16 at 01:27 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Grateke.



April 16 at 10:53 AM



“ Love, TCR Spa Team & Taylor purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Linda Sue Grateke.



Love, TCR Spa Team & Taylor - April 15 at 08:46 PM



“ Love, TCR Spa Team & Taylor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Grateke.

Love, TCR Spa Team & Taylor - April 15 at 08:46 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Grateke.



April 15 at 12:57 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Sue Gateke.

April 15 at 12:57 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.



April 15 at 12:06 PM



“ Matt & Melissa Jones & family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.



Matt & Melissa Jones & family - April 14 at 09:13 PM



“ so sorry to hear of Lindas passing. her mom and dad and my folks were friends and would visit after mass at St Alphonsus Church growing up. They would visit at the Eubanks store.

Alice Coose - April 14 at 08:48 PM



“ Our hearts go out to you Bob and family in this time of sorrow and loss! Linda was a beautiful soul and heaven gained another angel!

Ronald Shepard Family - April 14 at 05:46 PM

RF

Shepard Family

Ronald Shepard Family - April 14 at 05:47 PM

RS

So sorry, may she rest in God's arms

Roxie Smith - April 15 at 11:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Sue Gateke.

April 14 at 02:57 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Gateke.



April 14 at 02:57 PM

LE

“ Lula Emge lit a candle in memory of Linda Sue Gateke



Lula Emge - April 14 at 11:23 AM

LE

“ Linda you will be missed. A great lady and a great neighbor. Your smile always brighten my day.

Lula Emge - April 14 at 11:22 AM

DM

“ Linda, you will be missed. You were a special friend from St. Mary's Church and a fantastic Bunco player! I will never forget you. ❤️❤️
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Dorothy Meyer-McCafferty - April 13 at 09:26 PM

BS

“ So sorry. Linda was such a sweet person. Prayers for the family. 🙏
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Betty Stanek - April 13 at 06:17 PM