



Lauren Dian (Derrick) Pilkington

July 1, 1954 - July 6, 2022

Lauren Dian (Derrick) Pilkington was born July 1, 1954 in Salem, Missouri to Ruble Marshall “Marco” and Willa Dean (Luster) Derrick. She grew up in Salem along with her siblings Lynn, Lisa, Larry, Lou Ellen, and John. Dian graduated with the class of 1972 from Salem High School.

Dian was united in marriage February 7, 1972 to the love of her life, Arthur “Art” Lee Pilkington. They shared forty-seven years of marriage together before his passing June 24, 2019. Dian and Art were blessed with three children: Christine, Gideon and Clyde.

Dian started her working career with Hagale’s Factory and throughout the years worked for a childcare provider on the Military Base and also worked at the Salem Treatment Center. Dian was a hard worker and touched the lives of many. She was well known for her kindness, compassion and selflessness.

Dian was well-loved and always had a good time with her family and friends. She was an avid reader, loving singing karaoke and enjoyed dancing. Dian had great taste and a passion for shopping. Some of her fondest memories were times spent traveling with her family, especially to Florida.

Dian truly cherished her family and treasured spending time with them. She loved being a grandmother; her grandchildren were her world and she adored

her great-grandchildren.

Dian departed this life July 6, 2022 in Salem, Missouri surrounded by her loving family at the age of sixty-eight years. She leaves behind to cherish her memory, daughter: Christine Pilkington of Salem, MO; four grandchildren: Jeremy Pilkington, Gaige Pilkington, Allie Davis and husband Josh, and Alexis Click; two great-grandchildren: Jedi Click and Leiah Davis; siblings: Lynn Wofford and husband Marvin of Salem, MO, Lisa Reese and husband Brian of Salem, MO, Lari Ann McCord and husband Dale of Salem, MO, Lou Ellen Myers and husband Jack of Lebanon, MO, and John Wisdom of Salem, MO; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends.

Preceding her in death, husband: Arthur "Art" Pilkington; sons: Gideon and Clyde Pilkington; mother: Willa Dean Wisdom; father: Marco Derrick and wife Betty; brother-in-law: George Pilkington; grandparents: Gid and Ida Lou Derrick; and niece: Amanda Hyde.

Dian will be remembered for her beautiful smile, quick wit, and zest for life. Her legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of all who loved her. She will be forever missed.

Funeral Services for Lauren Dian (Derrick) Pilkington were held Saturday, July 9, 2022 in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Pastor Chris Hendrix officiating. The Eulogy read was written by Grandson Jeremy Pilkington. Song selections played were "Jealous of the Angels", "You Raise Me Up", and "Dancing in the Sky". Serving as Pallbearers were Fred Utley, Caleb Thompson, Brian Reese, Devon Jester, Marvin Wofford, and Dale McCord. Honorary Pallbearer was Josh McCord. Burial was in the Round Pond Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Online Condolences may be left at www.wilsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Round Pond

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
Salem, MO 65560
(573) 729-5555
<https://www.wilsonmortuary.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



Melissa
Watson

“ I was shocked to see Dian's obituary in the Salem news. I worked with Dian at the Salem Treatment Center and she was so kind and so funny. She helped me in so many ways with work and with advice in my personal life. She will be greatly missed.

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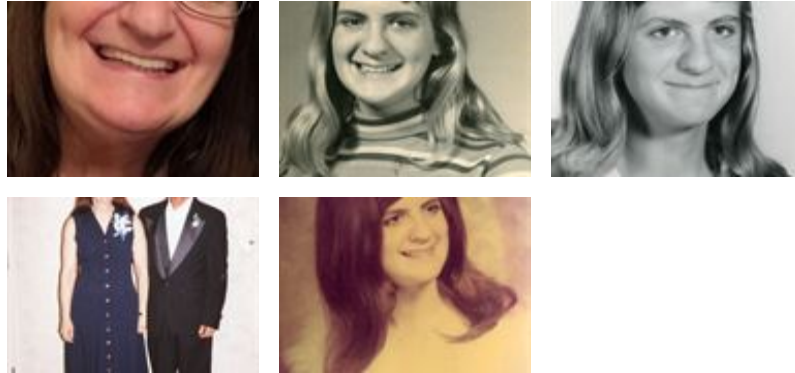
“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lauren Dian (Derrick) Pilkington.



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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Lauren Dian (Derrick) Pilkington*.



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“ *On behalf of American Legion Post 99, please accept our condolences on the loss of Dian. The Post is here with you; to help and assist in any way possible, please just let us know. My God bless your family and grant your family peace as well as strength during this difficult time..!*

*Clay Lindsay
American Legion Post 99
Salem, MO.*

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