



## Gloria J. Adkins

September 16, 1931 - December 25, 2011

Gloria J. Adkins, age 80, of Huntington, died Sunday (December 25, 2011) at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Gloria was born September 16, 1931, in Huntington, the daughter of Carl and Evelyn (Jones) Wilson. She graduated from high school. Gloria married Robert Adkins on September 10, 1976 in Huntington. He preceded her in death on November 7, 2006.

Gloria retired in 1989 from Stanadyne Distribution Center in Garrett where she was the Personnel Director for 10 years. She was a member of Central Christian Church. Gloria loved her family and her dog, Jazzy.

Gloria is survived by two sons - Terry Beekman of Michigan and Steve Beekman of Vermillion, Ohio; five daughters - Gail (Mike) Baum of Warsaw, Rhonda (Greg) Kenline of Albion, Kay (Terry) Pfister of Huntington, Pam (John) Green of South Bend and Missie (Brad) Tempest of Columbus; 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Her parents and brothers, Clyde Wilson, Carl Wilson and Dick Wilson, preceded her in death.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Friday (December 30, 2011) at Bailey-Love Mortuary. Graveside service and burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Huntington. Rev. Ray Scribner will officiate.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Airedale Terrier Recue and Adoption or the Humane Society of Huntington County in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Hope Cemetery

1700 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
[wecare@baileylove.com](mailto:wecare@baileylove.com)  
<https://www.baileylove.com>

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins*



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**Chrissy** - December 30, 2011 at 12:41 PM

KD

“ *Missie~  
Sorry to be in touch with you this way, but I wanted to let you know that I'm sorry to hear about the loss of your mom. I know how hard it is to lose a mom ~ it's been 7 1/2 years since I lost mine. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you.*  
*Kevin Dreibelbis*

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**Kevin Dreibelbis** - December 29, 2011 at 02:42 PM

KD

“ *Kevin Dreibelbis lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins*



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**Kevin Dreibelbis** - December 29, 2011 at 02:40 PM

CH

“ Why God takes the great ones, I shall never understand. You were nothing short of great, Gloria. I know God has gained one of the most special people this Earth had to offer. Everyone who ever knew you was touched by you and loved you. Love, Your Neice Chrissy.

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**Chrissy** - December 29, 2011 at 08:56 AM



“ I have very fond memories of Aunt Gloria. She and I would talk for hours on the phone about our animals. She loved her dogs very much and they were a great comfort to her. I remember going to her house when I was very small and she would let me pet her horse. That started my love for horses and I have raised horses for the past 30 years. And, of course, her laughter. It was so infectious. She made everyone feel happy that was around her. Rest in peace, Aunt Gloria.....I will miss you.

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**Linda Ralston** - December 29, 2011 at 08:15 AM



“ Linda Ralston lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins



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**Linda Ralston** - December 29, 2011 at 08:07 AM

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins*



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**Brenda** - December 28, 2011 at 12:27 AM

KB

“ *In memory of Aunt Gloria .. a true happy spirit and always fun to be around. She is one of the great parts of my youth .. many laughs from days at the lakes (Lake James, Lake Wawasee). We lost of the best laughs I've known ... keep laughing Gloria, you'll bring happiness to those around you always. Pam, Missie and families our sympathies on the loss of your mother and grandmother, a great lady indeed.*



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**Kirk and Lisa Beaty** - December 27, 2011 at 11:53 AM

KF

*Our sympathies to Gail, Rhonda, Kay, Pam, Missie, Steve, and Terry on the loss of your mother. Kirk, Lisa and the family.*

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**Kirk, Lisa and family** - December 29, 2011 at 01:10 AM



“ My Aunt Gloria was my only "real" aunt. My Mom does not have any brothers or sisters. Even though she lived far away in Indiana, I have always had such special feelings for her. One of the things that made me happiest as a child was when my parents would say "We're going to Indiana for a week this summer and we're staying with Aunt Gloria." Yippee!! I loved playing with my cousins and I loved being in Gloria's house. She was always so warm and welcoming. And...she made the best fried chicken ever!! She and my Mom Maxine had a special relationship and they spoke on the phone about twice a month throughout their lives. When we would visit Huntington during those summers, my Mom and Gloria always shared some private jokes that none of us really understood, but the sharing of those jokes always brought peals of laughter from both of them. The last time I saw Gloria was when she and Missie came to Sioux Falls to surprise my Mom for her 80th birthday party. I dropped them off at Lewis Drug, where she worked, and Gloria snuck up behind her and said "Excuse me, but can you tell me where I can find my sister-in-law?" The following few days were so much fun as we got caught up. Thanks, Gloria, for enriching my life and for always making me feel special and welcome. You were a blessing to so many people.

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Susan Nygaard - December 27, 2011 at 11:19 AM

KW

“ We loved our Aunt Gloria very much and she will be missed. We spoke often on the phone and it was never a dull conversation. She spoke her mind and you never had to wonder what she was thinking. Our conversations always were fun followed by a lot of laughter. The laughter usually continued after the phone call ended. There was always good sisterly love between my Aunt and her brother (my father Carl Wilson). She immensely enjoyed teasing him. When we would get together she could hardly wait to pounce on him. She would say to Pat (my wife), “watch this” sure enough the fireworks would start and Dad would always say “that is not the way I remember it” Aunt Gloria was one of a kind and as I told her once she was my favorite Aunt.



*Ken and Pat Wilson*

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**Ken and Pat Wilson** - December 26, 2011 at 10:59 PM

GW

“ Gary Wilson lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins



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**gary wilson** - December 26, 2011 at 07:03 PM

PW

“ I have a lot of fond memories of my Aunt Gloria. One that comes to mind is the love between my Dad and his sister. When we visited at Thanksgiving I remember one time seeing them chasing each other and wrestling on the floor like kids. I wish I could list all the fun times we had as kids in Indiana. I loved Aunt Gloria very much and she will never be forgotten.



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**Patti Wilson/Rife** - December 26, 2011 at 05:59 PM

PW

“ Patti Wilson/Rife lit a candle in memory of Gloria J. Adkins



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**Patti Wilson/Rife** - December 26, 2011 at 05:26 PM

GW

*like my sister patti i also have many wonderful memories of aunt gloria during our family visits to huntington. one of my lasting memories of aunt gloria was her laugh that would just light up the room. i will love and miss her always. gary wilson*

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**gary wilson** - December 26, 2011 at 06:59 PM