



Billie Jean Garman

June 4, 1944 - March 20, 2025

Billie Jean Garman, 80, of Manito, passed away at 5:03 a.m., on March 20, 2025, at Richard Owens Hospice House, in Peoria. She was born June 4, 1944, in Springfield, Illinois, to William and Anna (Stuart) Timinsky. Her father died when she was young, and she was raised by her mother and step-father, George Simmering. She married Lee Garman, in Pekin, Illinois, on September 2, 1973. He survives.

Mrs. Garman is survived by her husband, Lee, of Manito; one daughter, Jamie L. (Darrin) Vance, of Forest City; three grandchildren: Stephan M. Simmons, Derrick Vance, and Damien Vance; four great-grandchildren, Sophia R. Simmons, Leia R. Simmons, Logan M. Simmons, and Liam E. Vance. Also surviving are three siblings: Patricia A. Derks, of Scofield, Wisconsin, Kim J. Simmering, of Ft. Meyers, Florida, and Kent B. Simmering, of Port Orchard, Washington. She was preceded in death by her parents, infant daughter Page Ann Garman, and brother, Kevin S. Simmering.

Mrs. Garman was a member of Manito Community United Methodist Church. She was a cosmetology teacher, owner of BJ & Company Photos, and worked as a teacher's assistant at District 150 for seventeen years. She enjoyed making jewelry and was an active seller at the Manito Popcorn Festival, Havana Oktoberfest, and several other fall festivals. Her favorite thing to do was spend time with her family and other loved ones.

Funeral services will be held at Manito Community United Methodist Church, on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., with visitation one hour prior to

the services. Burial will follow the services at Forest City Cemetery. Rev. Steve Oaks will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to her church, Forman Fire Protection District, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, or Shriner's Children's Hospital. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Maas-Hurley Funeral Home, in Manito, is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Forest City Cemetery

Forest City, IL 61532

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Manito Community Methodist Church - Manito
109 S. Washington
Manito, IL 61546
(309) 968-6226

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Billie Jean Garman



Hurley Funeral Home - March 26, 2025 at 03:22 PM

AM

“ Billie always had a smile for us. I had the pleasure of being in Red Hatter with her.



Alice Milleer - March 26, 2025 at 10:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Billie Jean Garman.



March 25, 2025 at 08:00 PM

CC

“ cousins Cynthia, Lauren and Corinne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Billie Jean Garman.

cousins Cynthia, Lauren and Corinne - March 24, 2025 at 11:49 AM

CC

“ *cousins Cynthia, Lauren and Corinne purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Billie Jean Garman.*



cousins Cynthia, Lauren and Corinne - March 24, 2025 at 11:49 AM

TS

“ *Billie was a very special lady. My time with her was short, but I am so glad our paths crossed. The whole family is dear to my heart.*

Kim and Patty, thank you for allowing us to be a part of your wonderful family. Love you both so much.



Tracey Schwieger - March 23, 2025 at 10:44 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Billie Jean Garman.*

March 23, 2025 at 10:34 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Billie Jean Garman.*



March 23, 2025 at 10:34 PM

CG

“ *Colleen & Brad Gardinet lit a candle in memory of Billie Jean Garman*



Colleen & Brad Gardinet - March 22, 2025 at 01:21 PM

DH

“ *Jamie, I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God give you the strength you need to get through the days ahead.*

Delores Hull - March 21, 2025 at 10:59 PM

PG

“ *Patricia Gilbreath lit a candle in memory of Billie Garman*



Patricia Gilbreath - March 21, 2025 at 09:27 PM

DH

“ *Deepest sympathies to the family. I met Billie and her sisters and brother when I had the pleasure of doing Ann's hair at my little shop in Kilbourne. Such a lovely, fun family.*

Dona Hudgins - March 21, 2025 at 05:01 PM

MH

“ Mary and Larry Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Billie Garman



Mary and Larry Hundt - March 21, 2025 at 09:17 AM

FF

“ From Your CorpCare Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Billie Jean Garman.

From Your CorpCare Family - March 21, 2025 at 08:57 AM

FF

“ From Your CorpCare Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Billie Jean Garman.



From Your CorpCare Family - March 21, 2025 at 08:57 AM

SB

“ My memories of Billie are so special to me. She had the most beautiful smile that lit up the room when she walked in. I 'll hold these memories in my heart till we meet again. Fly high my dear cousin.

Sheila J Bartlett - March 21, 2025 at 08:56 AM

MG

“ *Billie was family and I just want to send my condolences. She was a happy spirit.* ”



Marilou Gaw - March 21, 2025 at 06:27 AM

JF

“ *Joy Fischer lit a candle in memory of Billie Garman* ”



Joy Fischer - March 21, 2025 at 01:56 AM

SS

“ *Billie was a sweet and kind lady. She will be missed, may her family find comfort and peace in our Lord.* ”



Steve and Kim Singley - March 20, 2025 at 10:40 PM

LT

“ *Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson lit a candle in memory of Billie Jean Garman* ”



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - March 20, 2025 at 08:32 PM

BB

“ I’m so sorry for your loss, Lee and Jamie.
Billie was always one of my favorite cousins.
So many memories over the years and all of
them good. Love, Brenda Bennett



Brenda Bennett - March 20, 2025 at 08:18 PM

PM

“ Sympathy to Billy’s family. Havana Community High School Class of
1963.
Paul Morgan

Paul Morgan - March 20, 2025 at 07:51 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss ❤️❤️❤️



Dan and Chris Wilson - March 20, 2025 at 06:59 PM

NE

“ Kim and Kent you are in my thoughts and
prayers ❤️🙏❤️



Nancy Elliott - March 20, 2025 at 05:58 PM