



Dr. Bonnie M. Pilbeam

December 30, 1954 - June 11, 2024

Dr. Bonnie M. Pilbeam, 69, of Pendleton, passed away on June 11, 2024, at her home. She was born December 30, 1954, in Shreveport, LA, the daughter of George and Mary Pilbeam, Jr.

Bonnie was a graduate of Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine. For the last 30 years she had her own practice in Pendleton, Pets & Vets. Bonnie's passion was caring for pets to increase their quality of life.

She was active with the local 4-H dog club and various canine sports clubs.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents and a brother in infancy, George Pilbeam III.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, Roger Porter; her siblings, Gregory Pilbeam (Kathy), M. Rebecca Hunt (Steve), Beth Marcellus (George), and Douglas Pilbeam (Barbara); numerous nieces and nephews; and her many canine companions.

A celebration of Bonnie's life will be held by her family at a later date.

Memorial gifts may be made to Agility Juniors representing the USA annually at the Junior Open Agility World Championship (donations may be made

directly to the team manager at [PayPal.me/agilityjuniors](https://www.paypal.me/agilityjuniors)) or the Falls Park Memorial Program, P.O. Box 260, Pendleton, IN 46064 (checks may be made payable to Falls Park Memorial Program).

Condolences may be shared with Bonnie's family at www.LooseCares.com.



Tribute Wall

LG

“ I was just thinking of Bonnie and was saddened to find this obituary. As many have said she was a special person, I was a classmate in vet school and Bonnie hosted several holiday dinners for those of us who did not travel home. I have spoken to many of my clients about Bonnie and her dog Sparky at the time. Sparky would hold a tennis ball in her mouth and bounce another one back to when thrown, and absolutely would not cross boundaries in the house where she was not allowed. Bonnie gave me several practice tips as a veterinarian starting a single practice. I was not in touch recently but remeber her fondly. Linda Grimes

Linda K Grimes - March 24, 2025 at 02:31 PM

JK

“ We moved away from Indiana in 1997. The only reason I didn't want to leave was because of Dr. Pilbeam. She truly was an exceptional veterinarian and person. I always felt like she loved and cared about my pets and I always knew they were in great hands. I am so sorry to hear of her passing, she was a shining light in the animal world.  Say hi to Thunder, Bullet, Grayson, Shane, Tori and Sophie. 

Jennifer Kokos - August 18, 2024 at 11:38 AM

JP

“ I am writing to express my profound sadness about hearing of Bonnie's passing. Her unwavering dedication to the well-being of dogs and cats, their caretakers, and all those who interacted with her has left an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

The wagging tails and purring cats she cared for will miss her dearly. They, too, mourn her loss. Her legacy lives on in the countless lives she touched both human and furry.

May her spirit continue to watch over the animals and humans she cared for and loved so dearly. With heartfelt sorrow, Bonnie will be missed.

Dear classmate, colleague, and friend, I hope to see you in the future. With great love always, Juan J. Pagan

Juan J. Pagan - June 29, 2024 at 04:28 PM

SD

“ You will be remembered with love by the agility community! Thank you for all you did for us and our dogs!

SHEILA DICK, D.V.M. - June 19, 2024 at 03:39 PM

EC

“ My heart aches to hear of Dr. Pilbeams passing. She was a wonderful veterinarian. I missed having her as our vet. Blessings and healing prayers for her family. Truly, Liz Canada

Elizabeth Canada - June 16, 2024 at 03:58 PM

YS

“ Thank you Dr Bonnie for taking such good care of my dogs, especially the older ones. You were an exceptional Vet. Will miss seeing you at the shows and the conversations we had. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family.

Yvonne & Dave Smith - June 16, 2024 at 01:32 PM

MW

“ We all have lost a wonderful person. My prayers are with her family at this difficult time. I will remember helping her with the dog shows, sitting in Golden Corral with her and Roger, and the wonderful care she took of our animals. You will be missed.

Mike Wagner - June 15, 2024 at 07:37 PM

DD

“ Bonnie was a beautiful person. She was kind and sharing. She also had a quick wit, and would tell tales with sly humor and an impish grin. She lived her life courageously; she put in the work and she accomplished her goals. It was my privilege to call her vet school classmate, employer and friend.

Deb Martin, DVM - June 15, 2024 at 06:50 PM

NR

“ Bonnie was a sweet, kind, and caring person. We walked together the halls of Lynn hall many years ago. Her smile and positivity made our veterinary school days enjoyable. She will be missed by all who knew her. Her work on earth is done. Time to care for all the critters in heaven.

Nancy A Rich - June 15, 2024 at 04:04 PM

AW

“ What sad news to hear of Dr. Bonnie's passing. We were classmates in vet school at Purdue. When I think of Bonnie, I see her smiling and laughing. What a beautiful soul. Amelia Woolums

Amelia Woolums - June 15, 2024 at 03:07 PM

DD

“ Thoughts and prayers for your families, Dr. Bonnie. Thank you for all your help over the years. Our dogs loved you. A few were waiting for you at the end of the Rainbow Bridge. Donna and Roy Decker, Regan and Bonnie

Donna Decker - June 15, 2024 at 09:32 AM

DC

“ Rest in peace Dr Bonnie, we loved you. Diane and the BC dogs..

diane carr - June 14, 2024 at 08:57 PM