



Susan Qualkenbush

May 30, 1955 - November 18, 2025

Susan Qualkenbush, 70, of Bloomington, Indiana, passed away on November 18, 2025, in Anderson. She was born on May 30, 1955, in Bedford, Indiana, to Lawrence and Virginia (Brown) Gilstrap.

Susan made her home in Bloomington, where she built a life filled with love, devotion, and simple joys. She adored caring for her saltwater fish tank and found peace in tending her garden. Watching hummingbirds gather at her feeders brought her daily happiness. She enjoyed spending time at the clubhouse in Bloomington, where she made many cherished memories.

Above all, Susan loved being a mother and a grandmother. Her family was the center of her world, and she took tremendous pride in the love she poured into them.

Susan is survived by her mother, Virginia Gayle Gilstrap; sons, Neil Qualkenbush (Brandi Lynn) and Nathan Qualkenbush; grandchildren, Jaelyn Qualkenbush, Lily Qualkenbush, Eleanor Qualkenbush, Christine McClatchey, Ivy Mae Qualkenbush, Matthew Vores, Madisyn Qualkenbush, and Emalie Qualkenbush; sisters, Lee Anne East (Perry) and Dot Stout; brother, Edward Gilstrap (Dalene); aunt, Juanita Thomas; nieces, Lisa, Erica, Tia, Erin, and Caitlin; nephews, Thomas, Stephen, Elijah, and Isaiah; Uncle, Harley Brown; aunt, Betty Jo Brown; cousins, Kathy, Mike, Donnie, Sande, Evan, Stephanie,

Dwight, Keith, Greg, Jennifer, Rosetta, Judy, Rachel, David, Danny, Julia, Donnie, Chris, Jay, Jimmy, Cindy, Bobby, Chris, Brian, and Kyle, Leah.

Susan is preceded in passing by her husband, Patrick Michael Nead; father, Lawrence Gilstrap; aunts, Jeanette Kern, Faye Pate, Kay Brown, Carol Moore, Nellie Allen, Virginia Durr, Bonnie Clifton, Oweita Flinn, Helen Sovern, and Jean Horner; uncles, Robert Gilstrap, Ray Gilstrap; cousins, Ramona, Tony, Linda, Michael, and Ronnie.

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