



Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore

October 25, 1938 - December 12, 2021

Brodhead - Judy Ainsworth-Gilmore, 83, was called home to be with Jesus on Dec. 12, 2021. Judy was born on Oct. 25, 1938, in Topeka, KS to Bertha and James Stillie. Judy grew up primarily in Topeka, but spent part of her childhood in Vallejo, CA. She treasured her time in Vallejo and would fondly relate memories of climbing the hills behind her home. As a little girl, Judy took part in a variety of activities including gymnastics and tap dance. Later in life, as a mother, she would delight her children with mini dance performances after retrieving her old tap shoes from the cedar chest. Judy graduated from Topeka High School in 1956 then attended Moody Bible Institute in Omaha, NE. In 1958 she married Air Force Serviceman David Ainsworth. Judy and David had two children in Topeka, Gary and John, and later added Wendy and Daniel after moving to Rockford, IL. Judy later returned to her beloved CA where she met Pat Gilmore in Ventura, CA. They married in 1999 and moved to Brodhead, WI to be closer to her family.

Judy was a creative and talented mother and was known to whip together elaborate costumes for school plays at the last minute. She was dedicated to helping her children learn and grow and read books to them from a young age and took them to the library regularly. She was also an excellent cook, and her homemade soups, pies and other specialties created warm and comforting meals for her family. Judy was passionate about sharing her love for Christ and helping at church, especially with children's activities. She was a

dedicated Sunday school teacher and vacation bible schoolteacher for many years and also assisted with the children's choir. She was known to stay up late into the night creating fun activities for her church kids. She was also a member of the Christian Women's Club and enjoyed attending church events.

Judy performed volunteer work at the Rock County Historical Society in Janesville, WI, where as a docent, she led tours of the Tallman House and assisted with other activities. Judy loved traveling and especially enjoyed being at the beach. Some of the areas Judy enjoyed visiting were the Virgin Islands, Italy, Hawaii, Florida, and California. Her favorite times were spent with her family, and she never forgot a birthday or other special event! She cherished her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and showered them with love and attention. She also enjoyed spending time with her friends and her senior group. Her warm smile and enthusiasm for life meant she never lacked for companionship. Those close to her often enjoyed her infectious sense of humor. Judy enjoyed photography, decorating, stamping and creating homemade cards for family and friends and bargain hunting at antique and thrift stores. She also enjoyed gardening and delighted in watching the birds' comings and goings on her patio.

Judy is survived by her children: Gary (Suzanne) Ainsworth, Rockford, IL, John (Lori) Ainsworth, Edgerton, WI, Daniel Ainsworth, Coconut Creek, FL and Wendy Ainsworth, Monterey, CA; grandchildren: Austin Burgener, Joshua (Adrienne) Ainsworth, Kory Ainsworth, Camila Dias, Nicholas Burgener, Peter Burgener, Mitchell Reis, Nicholas (Desiree) Dawson, Ross (Brittany) Laver, and Anna (Joe) Laver; great grandchildren Cameron, Colin, Dani, Pearl, Fox, Meadow, Theo and Clara; brothers Rick (Bonnie) Stillie, David (Sharon) Stillie, Steve (Susan) Stillie, special friend John McClain and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends. Judy was preceded in death by her parents, brother James (Irene) Stillie, husbands David Ainsworth and Pat Gilmore and will be missed by all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the United Methodist Church of Brodhead Childrens programs or to Mercy Health Hospice Care.

A celebration of life will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at 12:00 PM. A visitation will also be held at the funeral home on Saturday from 11:00 AM until the time of services.

www.dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com 608-897-2484

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Judy was such a special person at our Ladies Bible study at Lake Summerset. She was loved by all of us and will be missed.

Wendy Schrank - December 18, 2021 at 12:14 PM



Patricia Poarch

“ It was such a blessing to know Judy as a friend. She will be missed by many. Her smiled glowed. I am comforted knowing that her soul has been lifted to heaven.

Pat Poarch

Patricia Poarch - December 17, 2021 at 02:49 PM

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“ Aunt Judy was such a wonderful woman. When I was a little girl, she lived in California. She knew how much I wanted to see the ocean. So she sent me box of sea shells she collected for me. Now as an adult every time I'm on a beach looking for shells I always think of her and smile. ❤️

Sandy Stillie - December 17, 2021 at 01:20 PM

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“ Your mom was such a good friend to my mother, Helen Markham. Judy joined my mom and me once at a spa in the Dells. We had such a nice time together. I'll forever be grateful for Judy's faithful friendship to my mother.

Colet Markham Cook - December 17, 2021 at 12:41 PM

GP

“ Judy was always a sweet person to everyone! She always made you feel special and was so loving! She would always make time for anyone. She especially loved being with the grandkids and great grandchildren. You will be and already are missed! Love Glynda Peck



Glynda & Cletus Peck - December 17, 2021 at 05:52 AM

KS

“ Judy was always full of energy & ... just life! I know she will be greatly missed by everyone who ran across her path! She had those qualities.

kitty Sullivan-Foster - December 15, 2021 at 09:07 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore.



December 14, 2021 at 08:55 PM

VW

“ I happen to have met and worked and shared time with Judy, while at the Rock County Historical Society. Words can not express what a kind, honorable person she was to be with. I happened to be at the hospital in Radiology the same day as she was. Both of us were have our medical test done. May she be at rest. May the family find peace during this difficult time. Valerie Wyman

Valerie Wyman - December 14, 2021 at 08:17 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore.*



December 14, 2021 at 08:12 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore.*



December 14, 2021 at 04:50 PM



“ *Judy was one of the most loving and kind people. She always had an infectious laugh and a warm welcoming heart. Her love for the Lord was her primary focus and she loved to share His grace. I will miss you dearly, my friend. Kim Johnson*

Kim Johnson - December 14, 2021 at 12:57 AM



I never had the honor of meeting Judy but she sounds like a very loving and caring women - giving so much of herself to others in all that she did for her family, friends, church and community - such a caring soul may she Rest In Peace🕊️

Cathi Fischer - December 14, 2021 at 08:28 AM



Judy was always so full of energy and helped whenever she could. Full of love

Shirley A Christman - December 15, 2021 at 05:00 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Ainsworth-Gilmore.*



December 14, 2021 at 12:18 AM