



## Linda Kay Eaton

October 17, 1944 - October 3, 2024

Linda K. Eaton, age 79 of Terry, Montana, passed away on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at her home. Visitation will be held from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Family and Friends service at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at the Evangelical Church in Glendive with Pastor David Steinbron officiating. Interment will follow in the Union Cemetery south of Lindsay, Montana. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Linda was born October 17, 1944, in Glendive, Montana. She grew up on the family farm east of Bloomfield as the second oldest of nine children born to George and June (Grigsby) Zody. Linda attended West Pleasant Plains elementary in Bloomfield, often remembering her dad breaking trail through the snow for her and her siblings, as it was a mile-long walk. She also cherished memories of summer evening softball games with neighborhood kids in the Bloomfield community.

Linda later attended high school in Glendive, spending weekdays with her grandparents and returning home on weekends. After high school, she earned a degree in Elementary Education from Dickinson State College and taught in rural schools for five years. It was during this time she met the love of her life, Elner Eaton, when he dropped his sisters off at Lindsay school. Linda and Elner married in 1970, and she became a full-time wife and mother. Once her children were grown, Linda returned to education as a substitute teacher at

the Lindsay school, quickly becoming a favorite among students.

Linda won Homemaker of the Year at the Prairie County Fair three times, a testament to her exceptional skills and dedication. She was a masterful baker, always sharing homemade treats with her guests, and her embroidery and cross-stitch were so precise that a judge once thought her work was machine-made. Linda's warmth, talent, and generosity touched the lives of everyone who knew her.

Linda accepted the Lord as her Savior as a young child while attending South Valley rural church and was later baptized in the creek on the family farm.

Linda and Elner were long-time members of the Evangelical Church, where she and Pat Skillestad taught children's Sunday School for 30 years.

One of Linda's favorite activities was volunteering at The Attic. Over the eight years she worked there, she formed many lasting friendships and looked forward to it each week.

Linda was preceded in death by her husband, Elner; parents, George and June Zody; and brother, Larry Zody. She is survived by her children, Brad (Holly), and Heather (Aaron) McIntyre; four grandchildren, Abby Eaton, Alex Eaton, Hayden and Jett McIntyre; brothers, Steven and Mark (Anita) Zody; sisters, Rhonda Bornholtz, Kathy (Bill) LaFond, Sheryl (Roy) Johnson, Valerie (Jim) Maus, Susan (Bill) Edwards; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to Eastern Montana Bible Camp or the crisis pregnancy center in Miles City (Outreach Clinic).

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: [www.silhafuneralhomes.com](http://www.silhafuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Union Cemetery

Lindsay, MT

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana  
221 N. Meade Avenue  
P.O. Box 848  
Glendive, MT 59330  
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## Family & Friends Service

OCT **9**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

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## Funeral Service

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OCT **10**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Evangelical Church of North America  
118 West Borden Street  
Glendive, MT 59330

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ *I met her once, and it was magic.* 💔

Susan Gfeller - October 10, 2024 at 12:07 PM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



Silha Funeral Home - October 09, 2024 at 10:37 PM

VB

“ *What a lovely lady, always kind and reflected the love of Christ whenever we got a chance to visit. You "Zody kids" are all a wonderful bunch and your folks were the same. To Linda's children, we're so sorry for your great loss. We're praying for all of you.*

Vern and Jan Brost - October 09, 2024 at 07:04 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



October 09, 2024 at 12:15 PM

FC

“ *Farmers Elevator and Ag Partners crew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Kay Eaton.*

**Farmers Elevator and Ag Partners crew** - October 09, 2024 at 12:15 PM

KL

“ *Kortum Family - Tim, Sam, Bailey & Loni purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



**Kortum Family - Tim, Sam, Bailey & Loni** - October 09, 2024 at 12:01 AM

RF

“ *Rhonda, Karen ,Bruce, Tim and families purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



**Rhonda, Karen ,Bruce, Tim and families** - October 08, 2024 at 11:46 PM



“ 75 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Silha Funeral Home** - October 08, 2024 at 06:20 PM



“ *Dan and Donna Dobson lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton*



**Dan and Donna Dobson** - October 08, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



October 08, 2024 at 09:36 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



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October 07, 2024 at 05:34 PM



“ *Dave and Rachel McCloy lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton*



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**Dave and Rachel McCloy** - October 07, 2024 at 02:27 PM



“ *Prayers for Linda's family as they share her loss.*



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**Betty SHearer** - October 04, 2024 at 09:05 PM



“ *you will all be in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Melissa Gullikson** - October 04, 2024 at 05:34 PM

SD

“ Heather and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom. I truly believe how happy she must be now. My prayers for comfort, many hugs

Sherilyn Senner Danielson - October 04, 2024 at 03:53 PM

ST

“ Stacey lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton



Stacey - October 04, 2024 at 02:25 PM

AG

“ Arlene Gieser sent a virtual gift in memory of Linda Eaton



Arlene Gieser - October 04, 2024 at 12:47 PM



“ Linda Wyse lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton



Linda Wyse - October 04, 2024 at 11:58 AM



*We are sorry for your loss thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mike and Linda Wyse*

**Linda Wyse** - October 05, 2024 at 10:50 AM

ES

“ *Elaine Swanson purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.*



**Elaine Swanson** - October 04, 2024 at 12:08 AM

GI

“ *Gina lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton*



**Gina** - October 03, 2024 at 11:39 PM

SW

“ *Shirley Wolff lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton*



**Shirley Wolff** - October 03, 2024 at 11:21 PM

LI

“ Sending prayers to all of you.  
Gary and Lynn Ingraham



Lynn Ingraham - October 03, 2024 at 11:13 PM

MM

“ Linda is now resting in the light of the Lord and the arms of her loved ones. I will miss her.

Marla McCormick - October 03, 2024 at 09:46 PM

MM

“ Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton



Marla McCormick - October 03, 2024 at 09:44 PM

DS

“ Linda was truly a beautiful lady, inside and out. She will be missed!

Donna Latka Stanfill - October 03, 2024 at 06:54 PM

BK

“ Ben, Jonathon, Ria, Justin, Anna, kiddos purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Linda Kay Eaton.



Ben, Jonathon, Ria, Justin, Anna, kiddos - October 03, 2024 at 06:29 PM

BT

“ *Heather I'm so sorry for your loss! Cherish you Memories!*  
*Becky Tipton*

Becky Tipton - October 03, 2024 at 05:50 PM

TD

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. She is now in your dad's arms again. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*



Tammy Dey - October 03, 2024 at 05:26 PM

BR

“ *Bernice Rudnick lit a candle in memory of Linda Eaton*



Bernice Rudnick - October 03, 2024 at 02:44 PM

BH

“ *Linda was my first friend when we moved to Terry. We shared heartaches and joys. She was a true friend who dropped everything to help when I really needed it. I will always remember the love and kindness we received from Linda and Elner. Hugs and Prayers to Brad, Heather and all of the family.* ❤️💕🙏

Beth Hinebauch - October 03, 2024 at 02:31 PM