



## Linda Sue Torres

January 26, 1954 - October 28, 2023

Services celebrating the life of Linda Sue Torres, age 69, will be held Wednesday, November 8th, 2023 at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home. Officiating the service will be Dr. Mark Neely. A burial will follow at Lindale City Cemetery.

Linda passed away Saturday October 28, 2023 in Lindale, Texas. She was born in Tyler, Texas on January 26, 1954. Linda was a graduate of Lindale High School and Stephen F. Austin State University. Linda served as drum majorette at Lindale High School where she was also honored as most beautiful and State FFA Sweetheart. She enjoyed life in many places with her loving husband Ken including California, Lake Tahoe, Reno, Lake Conroe, and Lindale, Texas. Linda enjoyed entertaining, cooking, decorating, traveling, skiing and loved spending time with her family, especially with her grandchildren. Linda was full of life and beautiful inside and out.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles "Nig" Bobby and Bobbie Jean (Treadaway) James; and husband, Ken Anthony Torres.

She is survived by brother, Kenneth James of Lindale; sister, Brenda Thompson of Dallas; stepson, Kenneth Torres of Rodi, California; and step daughter, Suzi and Bob Ballou of Flint; along with a niece, two nephews and numerous grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be C. James Rutledge, Bob Ballou, David Burrow, Scott McGuire, Chris and Nathan James.

In lieu of flowers can be made to Susan G. Komen Foundation at [Komen.org](https://www.komen.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Lindale City Cemetery

702 West South Street  
Lindale, TX 75771

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV 8. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Sue Torres



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - November 06, 2023 at 06:55 PM

DH

*There will always be a special place in my heart for Linda. I was one of those FFA boys and was lucky enough to be a State Officer that same year of Linda's reign as the State FFA Sweetheart. Probably the most beautiful girl I had ever seen ... I wasn't alone, though, as in the summer of 1970, about 5,000 other FFA boys thought the same!!! Somehow, Linda and I struck up a friendship. We wrote to each other occasionally and were able to see each other a couple of times during college and even after ... nothing serious, just good friends as the long-distance relationship was not to be. I am so happy to know that her life with Ken and all the family was full of fun, joy, and love. She deserved nothing less.*

Dick Hudgins - November 08, 2023 at 05:40 AM

LW

“ Linda Willis lit a candle in memory of Linda Torres



Linda Willis - November 07, 2023 at 04:44 PM

MR

“ Mary Beth, Toni and Rusty purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Linda Sue Torres.



Mary Beth, Toni and Rusty - November 07, 2023 at 04:25 PM

MR

“ Mary Beth, Toni and Rusty planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Torres.

Mary Beth, Toni and Rusty - November 07, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Torres.



November 07, 2023 at 02:57 PM

CH

“ Camelia Payne & Charlene Hartman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Torres.

Camelia Payne & Charlene Hartman - November 07, 2023 at 02:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda Sue Torres.*



November 07, 2023 at 10:14 AM



“ *Sherry Ramsey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Torres.*

**Sherry Ramsey** - November 07, 2023 at 10:14 AM



“ *Michael James purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Linda Sue Torres.*



**Michael James** - November 06, 2023 at 09:47 PM

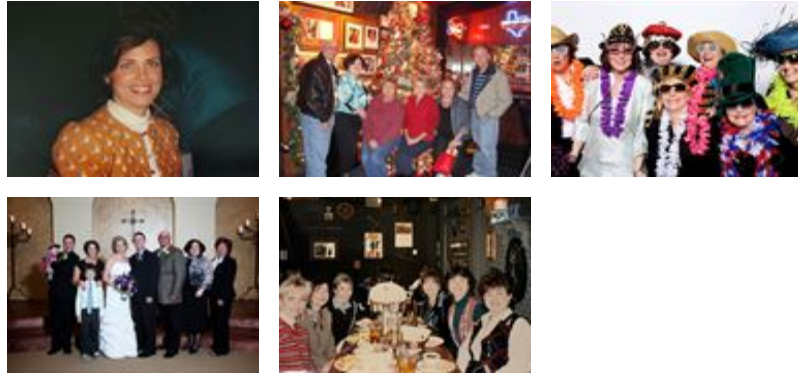


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**Michael James** - November 06, 2023 at 09:47 PM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home** - November 06, 2023 at 06:50 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of *Linda Sue Torres*.



November 06, 2023 at 02:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of *Linda Sue Torres*.



November 04, 2023 at 05:40 PM

LB

“ Love Todd and Renee Baker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Sue Torres.

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**Love Todd and Renee Baker** - November 04, 2023 at 05:40 PM

BB

“ I was just a young girl growing up in the same neighborhood with the James family. My love for twirling started with watching Linda and the rest of the Pride of Lindale Majorettes practice in Linda's parents back yard, I had a bird eyes view :-), and finally got the nerve to ask Linda to teach me everything she knew about twirling-that's when I found a friend, mentor and Teacher. I have too many stories to tell but I do know I loved her like a big sister, she was a true beauty inside and out and even though I didn't see her often she will always be remembered in my heart.  
*Belinda Garrett Blackshear*

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**Belinda Blackshear** - November 03, 2023 at 10:21 PM

JA

“ I knew the one and only Linda Torres from Navellier, where Linda worked for 30 years. I remember viewing her baton twirling prowess in the Reno office, improvising with a broom! She was a joy to work with and I loved how she said 'Jane DAHLing'. I will miss her. God Bless Linda.

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**jane** - November 03, 2023 at 02:21 PM

AB

“ As a young girl, when Linda was working at her daddy's Piggly Wiggly store in Lindale, my husband and I bought our groceries there, and when we got to the check out counter, we usually had items in the basket that we had not gotten off the shelf, like a loaf of bread, a few bananas, etc, always put in the basket by Linda. She loved pranking us, and we loved her and her beautiful smile and happy face and her laughter and the way she could make us laugh. She will always be remembered by us.

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**Annie Baldwin** - November 03, 2023 at 08:38 AM

MA

“ Linda is my older sister's best friend ever since elementary school! In Linda's mind, that meant we were all family! She was so beautiful, so full of laughter with her special quirky humor, mostly about herself, that brought warm rays of sunshine...especially during our hardest life trials! She went out of her way to make me feel like I was the most wonderful person in her world, even while she was totally redoing the mess I'd made of my filing system! Linda, thank you for being a part of all the lives you have touched on this earth, I'm pretty sure the Lord's got plenty of messes He was needing your special gifts that just couldn't wait any longer. We will miss you so much, but you have made us all better just by your wonderful heart and deep love for us all! Friends and family alike!  
Melinda Thompson Anderson

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**Melinda Thompson Shelton Anderson** - November 03, 2023 at 01:13 AM

SD

“ I grew up with the James kids. Was good friends and classmate with Brenda and spent many nights in the James home and of course Linda, the one year younger sister was always there too. We were always picking on little brother Kenneth. Linda was a shining star, talented, popular and gorgeous. She will be missed by many. Love and prayers to Brenda and Kenneth and all the James family. Much love Sheila Gibson Dixon

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**Sheila Dixon** - November 02, 2023 at 07:23 PM

GS

“ Gloria Smith lit a candle in memory of Linda Torres



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**Gloria Smith** - November 02, 2023 at 05:58 PM

CH

“ I ran into Kenneth and Linda at Pounds field in Tyler in the late 1990's. I had not seen Linda since she graduated from high school. Kenneth brought her for her flight home. He joked about how bossy she had gotten and it was time for her to go home. Linda and I continued to visit after he left. After several delays our flight was canceled due to fog. I took Linda to Kenneth's to save him a trip back to Tyler. We laughed all the way back to Lindale about his surprise when she walked back in with her suitcase. I don't remember his reaction but I'm almost positive he was happy to see her. My deepest sympathies goes out to Brenda, Kenneth, and the James' family. Linda was beautiful inside and out.

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**Charlene Hartman** - November 02, 2023 at 07:41 AM

GS

“ *Gloria Smith lit a candle in memory of Linda Torres*



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**Gloria Smith** - November 02, 2023 at 06:56 AM

LW

“ *Linda Willis lit a candle in memory of Linda Torres*



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**Linda Willis** - November 01, 2023 at 10:43 PM

MW

“ *Melissa Wells lit a candle in memory of Linda Torres*



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**Melissa G Wells** - November 01, 2023 at 10:19 PM

KD

“ *Karen Hester Coomer Damon*



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**karen Damon** - October 31, 2023 at 07:22 PM