



Alice McWilliams

December 13, 1942 - August 27, 2025

Alice McWilliams, 82, of St. Anne, passed away at home surrounded by family on Wednesday, August 27, 2025.

She was born on December 13, 1942, the daughter of Marcel and Alice Mary (Coash) Frechette.

She loved her Sadie Lynn and the many dogs that she rescued from the shelters. She was passionate about volunteering to help dogs and always said that "They don't talk back". Alice also helped to rescue a horse that she named Nevada and ensured that he was placed in a good home. She was devoted to her volunteer work with the Cancer Society for 18 years, Zonta, ATA, River Valley Rescue, Sunrise Animal Rescue, and Kankakee Humane Foundation. Most of all she loved being with her family and her extended friends that became family.

Alice is survived by her 2 daughters, Tina (Don Fay) Kramer, Lori (Ron) Shreffler; 5 grandchildren, Dustin Kramer, Joey (Eva) Tackett, James Tackett (Misty Johnson), Stephen Shreffler (Brianna Doty), and Seth Shreffler; 10 great grandchildren, Eli, Nico, Trinity, Trevor, Bayleigh, Lyssa, Gracelynn, Autumn, Abel, and Kayne.

She is preceded by her parents, Alice and Marcel Frechette; daughter, Lisa McWilliams; sisters and brothers-in-law, Iris and Glen Davis, Arlene and Morris Menser; fiancé, Steve Just; son-in-law, Chris Kramer; best friend, Melanese Reeves.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A celebration of life will be held at Jensen Funeral Home in Kankakee from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 7, 2025, with a luncheon to follow at the Aroma Park American Legion.

A special "Thank you" goes out to Gayle for adopting Sadie Lynn, she couldn't be in a more perfect home.

A private burial will take place at Mount Calvary Cemetery on Monday, September 8, 2025.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to Gayle's Rescue located at 3770 Serenity Parkway, Kankakee, IL., 60901. Venmo donations will also be accepted at @gaylemagnuson48.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood Ave.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Luncheon

SEP 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

Aroma Park American Legion
739 S. Sandbar Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall

DF

“ We are finding it hard getting used to not seeing Alice ,ever present, working in the yard and walking Sadie down the street . We will miss our pleasant conversations . Such a nice lady gone far to soon .

Dan Forystek - September 08, 2025 at 11:47 PM

BR

“ So sorry for your loss

Barb Riesebeck - September 06, 2025 at 09:23 AM

JC

“ To Lori & Tina, I am truly sorry for your loss. I loved your mommy! She would always make us clean the house before we went out to get into shenanigans. I appreciated the discipline, lol. Sending you both good vibes and positive energy.

Love, Judy Camsuzou



Judy Camsuzou - September 05, 2025 at 03:15 PM

RM

“ I worked with Alice at Commonwealth Credit Union. She was a sweet lady. So sorry for your loss.

Rita McClure - September 03, 2025 at 08:45 PM

DP

“ Tina, so sorry to see that your mom passed! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers! She had to be a beautiful person to have loved animals so much!

Donna Pommier - September 03, 2025 at 07:12 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss.



Sherry - September 02, 2025 at 08:53 PM

MK

“ Mary Lu, Dad and kids purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Alice McWilliams.



Mary Lu, Dad and kids - September 02, 2025 at 05:19 PM

MN

“ Tina, Laurie & Dustin, We are so very sorry for your loss. We first met Alice when she lived on Greely St in Aroma Park .A few years later she moved next door to us in a Beautiful Log home she had built. We were neighbors for over 20 years . She was a Beautiful person in all ways, Kind, Considerate and very neighborly . We will certainly miss her. Rest in Peace Alice !
Mike & Lisa Norman
Somerset Kentucky

Michael Norman - September 02, 2025 at 04:09 PM

JC

“ *Thoughts & prayers to the family* ”



jacque cuchiara - September 02, 2025 at 02:33 PM