



David Gilbert Linville

May 22, 1943 - May 22, 2024

David Gilbert Linville of Naples, Florida and Lake Bluff, Illinois died peacefully in his Illinois home on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, his 81st birthday.

David was born to Mary Edith Snyder and Gilbert Winston Linville on May 22, 1943 in Danville, Illinois. He was graduated from Wayland Academy in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin and the University of Miami in Florida where he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity.

After completing Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company's Flying Squadron Executive Training Program in Akron, Ohio, David moved to Los Angeles to head the Goodyear Labor Relations Department. There were violent strikes at the time and at one point, he had to escape through a hotel window to get away.

He was hired into the oil business by Dave Gustafson and that changed the direction of his life. While at Gustafson Oil, David was involved in all aspects of the business including drilling, sales and marketing, and transportation. He started his own bunkering business in 1993, Dolphin Marine Fuels, Inc. with his office in Dana Point, California. He sold fuel to all types of ocean-going ships and had customers around the world. David enjoyed attending bunkering business gatherings, through which he made many lasting friendships.

David was an avid reader with great knowledge and interest in history as well as current events. With several notable ancestors from colonial times, membership in The National Society of the Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois was a natural fit. David really enjoyed the work of the "Warriors". He was the SCW-IL Governor of Illinois from 2010-2012 and served on numerous National Committees. David and Barbara attended events in Palm Beach, Charleston, Boston, Bermuda, Washington, D.C. and more. David enjoyed the elegance and traditions!

For nearly twenty years, David served on the Board of Directors of EurAuPair. He was on the Executive Committee and was the Secretary of the Corporation.

Golf was a passion for David and he was proud to be a member of Shoreacres in Lake Bluff, IL and Royal Poinciana Golf Club in Naples, Florida. Travels for golf took him to England, Scotland, Spain, and many noteworthy courses in the United States.

David enjoyed traveling to Europe, particularly when seeing friends. He will be remembered for his kindness and warmth, his loyalty to friends, and his devotion to his immediate and extended family.

David Linville is survived by his wife of 31 years, Barbara, and children (spouse) Kimberley Barna (Paul) of Meridian, Idaho, Kelly Tsuda of San Jose, CA, Jon Linville (Debby) of New Port Ritchie, FL and Thomas (Sunni) of Sanford, FL and stepdaughters Elizabeth Gatewood (Dan McGuire) of Oakland, CA and Catherine Gatewood of Naples, Florida. He is survived by two sisters, Julia Linville and Barbara Curtis as well as ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service being held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2024 at the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest, 700 N. Sheridan Road, Lake Forest, Illinois. The service will be livestreamed at <https://firstchurchlf.online.church/>

Interment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest or The Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois (SCW-IL) c/o Mary Carter; 47 West Division Street, #368; Chicago, IL 60610.

For more information – Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest (847) 234-9649 or www.RTfunerals.com

Cemetery Details

Roselawn - Mt. Hope Cemetery

611 East Pennsylvania Avenue
Champaign, IL 61820

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest
700 North Sheridan Road
Lake Forest, IL 60045

Tribute Wall



“ *Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Home created a Service Livestream in memory of David Gilbert Linville*



Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest - May 27, 2024 at 01:26 PM

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“ *Our prayers are with you Barbara and David and Family. Jimmy and Barbara Walsh*

James Walsh - May 29, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of David Gilbert Linville.*



May 29, 2024 at 08:52 AM

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“ *Phyllis Cretors and Richard Cortesi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Gilbert Linville.*

Phyllis Cretors and Richard Cortesi - May 29, 2024 at 08:52 AM

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“ With all my love, Virginia purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of David Gilbert Linville.



With all my love, Virginia - May 29, 2024 at 07:55 AM

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“ With all my love, Virginia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Gilbert Linville.

With all my love, Virginia - May 29, 2024 at 07:55 AM

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“ Carol S. Howell purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David Gilbert Linville.



Carol S. Howell - May 28, 2024 at 01:10 PM