



## Lynn M. Weis

July 15, 1953 - May 24, 2017

Linda (Lynn) Weis.

Lynn Weis, a life-long resident of the Aurora area, passed away at Rush University Medical Center last week after a nearly year-long battle with brain cancer. She was born on July 15, 1953.

She worked at The (Aurora) Beacon-News for more than 36 years, almost all of that time in the Advertising Department.

Lynn's greatest avocations and loves involved animals. She was a professional dog trainer for many years with the Glenbard All Breed Obedience Club in Wheaton and for the Fox Valley Dog Training Club in St. Charles. She trained and competed with a variety of dog breeds in AKC obedience trials for more than 40 years.

She was extremely proud of her expertise regarding apes and their behavior, developed over more than 20 years of volunteer work in the Tropic World area of the Chicago Zoological Society (Brookfield Zoo).

Her experience was based on more than 12,000 hours of observational research at Brookfield Zoo. She received the 2010 TWIGA Award for Volunteer of the Year and helped organize the Orangutan Awareness and Ape

Awareness programs. She also organized the first International Orangutan Workshop in 2007.

From those experiences she had hundreds of wonderful friends whom she loved dearly, chief among them Dawn and Dave Parison of Plano, Ill., with whom she lived the last months of her life.

She graduated from St. Mary's School in Aurora; attended Madonna High School until it closed and graduated from its successor Rosary High School; and received a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism, graduating first in her journalism school class, from Northern Illinois University.

She was preceded in death by her father, Donald G. Weis, and her mother, Edith C. Weis, who were married in Wales, United Kingdom, during World War II.

She is survived by a brother, Dr. John N. Weis, and sister-in-law, Dr. Shirley A. Weis, of Scottsdale, Arizona; a niece, Laura Graves and her husband, Jon, of Phoenix, Ariz.; a nephew, Dr. Robert Weis and his wife, Jennifer, of Granville, Ohio; a great nephew and great nieces, Thomas Weis, Marie Weis and Anne Catherine Weis of Ohio, and Isabella Graves and Sofia Graves of Phoenix.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 2, 2017 at 9:30 AM from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY to Holy Angels Church at 10:00 AM. Fr. Michael Lavan will officiate with interment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 1, 2017 from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Liturgical Wake Service at 6:30 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 North Lake Street, Aurora, IL 60506. (630) 631-5500.

Please visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) where you

may sign the guest book or leave condolences for Lynn's family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
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## Morning Prayers

JUN 2. 9:30 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

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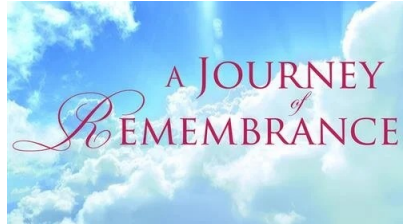
JUN 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Angels Church  
120 South Lancaster Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60506

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Lynn M. Weis



Daleiden Mortuary - May 30, 2017 at 06:52 PM

KC

“ Just found out about this. so sorry. cousin Kay Collman.

Kay Collman - June 07, 2017 at 08:07 PM

DR

“ I knew Lynn in HS at Madonna. Lynn was always such a gentle and compassionate person. So nice to see the video and to see all she went on to do especially for so many animals that she loved. Thanks for sharing that. May God bless Lynn and the family. Peace always, Diane Rowe

Diane Rowe - June 03, 2017 at 09:11 PM

FW

“ From Lynn's zookeeper friends in Tropic World purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Lynn M. Weis.



From Lynn's zookeeper friends in Tropic World - May 31, 2017 at 11:08 PM

SW

“ *Sheila Wojciechowski purchased the Love's Embrace Roses – Purple for the family of Lynn M. Weis.*



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**Sheila Wojciechowski** - May 31, 2017 at 06:46 PM

Mary  
Leisner

“ *2 files added to the album Brookfield Zoo*



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**Mary Leisner** - May 31, 2017 at 10:03 AM

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“ *From everyone at BeStar & JL Optimus purchased the Sincerest Sorrow - Lavender and White for the family of Lynn M. Weis.*



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**From everyone at BeStar & JL Optimus** - May 30, 2017 at 11:56 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Lynn M. Weis.*



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May 30, 2017 at 06:34 PM