



## Phyllis A. Gross

June 6, 1929 - October 5, 2018

Phyllis Adams Gross, 89, passed away peacefully at home on October 5, 2018.

She was born in Toledo, Ohio but from age seven grew up in downtown Chicago, then moved to Libertyville to raise her family in 1956. She graduated from Northwestern University and was a Speech Therapist for North Chicago Public Schools, Oak Grove School and eventually Hawthorn School District 73 from which she retired in 1993 after 27 years there as a Speech Therapist and Assistant Principal. Throughout her career of 42 years, she was a member of the Illinois Speech and Hearing Association.

Phyllis was elected to the Libertyville District 70 School Board for nine years and served as Secretary for eight of those. After retirement she moved to a townhome and kept busy as president of the Libertyville Ridge Condo Association for nine years. She traveled extensively with family and friends and achieved her goal to personally photograph each of the 50 state capitols. She was proud to have visited each home that her children owned around the country and in Canada. She was a member of the United Methodist Church of Libertyville, an avid bridge player and loved the Cubs and Blackhawks.

She is survived by her children Paul Gross, Sally Gross and Catherine Gross, daughter-in-law Jerla Gross, grandson Jared Gross and great-grandson Alexander Gross; and nieces Susan Bastian, Nancy Wolf, Janet Adams, and Susan Agee. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward Gross, parents Leonard and Loretta Adams, sister Jeanne Dreifke, brother Richard

Adams, and grandson Justin Gross.

The family will receive friends at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home on Thursday, October 11 for a Visitation Celebration from 3:30-6:00 pm, with a brief time for remembrance at 5:30.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Main Street Libertyville.

# Previous Events

## Visitation Celebration

OCT **11**. 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

# Tribute Wall



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis A. Gross.*



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October 11, 2018 at 09:33 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Phyllis A. Gross.*



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October 10, 2018 at 09:59 AM



“ *Our Leader with the most wonderful hearty laugh will be missed by many. She was the best problem solver evahhhh and always put the SpeechLanguage Department needs as a TOP priority. Long ago - and I mean LONG ago- she hired me as the #3rd Speech Pathologist straight out of Grad. School !!!!!!! We worked side by side in a few buildings including Half Day which was close by to a great after school restaurant. Phyllis was a terrific SLP and the students of District #73 all adored her,,,,,from her HIGH HAT weekly teachings, to inclusive services/services for every communication disorder we knew about in those days- to some we were just learning about. We all were blessed to be a part of her woven blanket of friendship - which I know will keep her warm with our prayers. ONE GREAT WOMAN !!!!!!! Love- Miss Joanne xxooo*

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**Miss Joanne always** - October 09, 2018 at 12:44 PM