



Gloria R. (Grigsby) Gallion

February 15, 1942 - March 5, 2018

Gloria R. (Grigsby) Gallion, 76, of Grand Island, formerly of Albion, died March 5, 2018, at Park Place Rehab Center in Grand Island.

A celebration of life is planned from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at Solt Wagner Community Room, 1507 17th St., Central City.

Mrs. Gallion was cremated and burial will be at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the Gallion Family, 802 D Avenue, Central City, NE 68826.

She was born Feb. 15, 1942, at Aledo, Ill., to Perry and Martha "Ruth" (Eaton) Grigsby. She grew up in Aurora and graduated from Aurora High School in 1960.

She attended Kearney State College and graduated in 1963 with a bachelor of arts degree in home economics education and art. She taught home economics at Kenesaw, Gordon, Deshler and Albion.

She married David Gallion on Aug. 7, 1966. The couple lived in Kenesaw and Gordon before moving to Deshler where the couple ran the Country Squire Cafe for eight years. In 1979, the couple moved to Albion to be closer to family. She ran the food service program for Albion Public School for 19 years followed by 12 years leading the food service program at Columbus Public Schools.

She retired in 2009 and the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August 2016.

Mrs. Gallion was a talented seamstress and quilter. Like the beautiful quilts that Mrs. Gallion made, her life was a tapestry of love and artistry. She loved

to create unique and personal quilts, table runners, clothes and doll clothes for her family and friends. She collected dolls her entire life as well as antiques. For many years she decorated cakes and has donated hundreds of doll clothes and quilts to local charities.

She was a member of the Lone Tree Quilt Guild in Central City, Order of Eastern Star Harmony Chapter out of Columbus and a member of the United Methodist Church in Albion. She formerly was the president of the Nebraska School Food Service Association and taught classes at the University of Nebraska – Lincoln in the summers.

Survivors include her husband, David; sons and daughters-in-law, Todd and Colleen Gallion of Grand Island, Jeff and Maryjo Gallion of Chapman, and Tim Gallion of Aurora; daughter and son-in-law, Leanne and Aaron Blanchard of Central City; grandchildren, Jared and Julieanne Gallion, Alex Gallion, Molly and Emmett Blanchard, and Cheynelle Blanchard of Denver, Sierra Blanchard of Glendale, Ariz., and Taylor Blanchard of Lincoln.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Bryce; a sister, Dorothy; a brother, Jim, and one granddaughter, Megan.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 10. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Central City
Central City, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Gloria R. (Grigsby) Gallion*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *So sorry for your lost I worked pt for Columbus schools Gloria was always so nice to me always had open arms to whoever came thru her door may she rest in peace. Melody eads*

Melody eads - March 10, 2018 at 08:28 PM



“ *so sorry for your lose. I will always remember the days that I work in the Albion High cafeteria during the school years. Those were some great memories. You were a great friend.*

Ed Shaw - March 08, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Dave and family. Gloria and I shared many Nebraska School Nutrition Association conferences and district meetings together. She was a very special lady, always a smile and took a very special interest in school food service. She spent many years sharing her thoughts and ideas with all of us in school nutrition and she was on the Nebraska School Nutrition Association Executive Board for many years and Past President. Cathy Hoops*

Catherine Hoops - March 08, 2018 at 02:17 PM

JH

“ *My sympathy to Dave and the Family. Loved going to Gloria's Certification classes in Albion. She was a great teacher and we had such a good time learning from her. I always enjoyed talking and sharing with her. Jeanie Herrera-Spalding*

Jean Herrera - March 07, 2018 at 08:23 PM

MS

“ *My condolences to the family of Gloria. I rode to cooking school in Lincoln with Gloria also had her for a teacher. We had many laughs on our ride , but one sticks out there was a huge bull snake crossing the highway no way to avoid it she ran over it we screamed for the next mile or maybe seven then we laughed. Gloria was a dear person. Margaret Shoemaker---at that time from Belgrade*

Margaret Shoemaker - March 07, 2018 at 05:54 PM

LB

“ *My condolences to Gloria's family. I am sorry to hear of her passing. I worked with her for many years at Columbus High School. She was very compassionate and caring. She always had a smile and a kind word for her coworkers, but she let you know when she was not pleased with you. She had a passion for her work and made many friends along the way. She was very proud of her family and shared many stories with me about them. I always considered her more of a friend than a boss. I know she will be missed by many. Lorena Breuer*

Lorena Breuer - March 07, 2018 at 10:17 AM