



Amy Lou Gardner

April 15, 2025

Amy Lou Gardner passed away peacefully on April 15, 2025 surrounded by family and loved ones.

The youngest of three children, Amy Lou was born October 19th, 1930 in Minot, North Dakota to Nicholas and Amy Krick. She graduated from Minot High School and then went on to study education, graduating from the Miss Woods Kindergarten Training School at Macalester College and from Minot State University, where she belonged to Tri Sigma Sorority and PEO Sisterhood chapter DO. After graduation, she taught Kindergarten in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, Great Falls, Montana, Palo Alto, California, and Denver.

She married John L. "Jack" Gardner in 1959 and moved to Denver to raise their family. They moved to Fort Collins in 1977. Amy Lou returned to teaching in Fort Collins, at both the Peace With Christ Lutheran Church and Children's World preschools. Family has always been her number one priority. Amy Lou was a people person. Her interests included friends, baking, playing bridge, shows, movies and concerts, exercise and sports, church, and neighborhood activities.

Amy Lou is survived by her three children and their families: Suzy Barr, Nick Gardner, Mike (Ana) Gardner. She has four grandchildren: Miles Barr (deceased), Maria (Nicolai) Matthies, Jason Gardner, and Erica Gardner. She

has two great grandchildren, twins Aevan and Branoc Matthies. She is preceded in death by her husband Jack, her parents, sister Darlene, and brother Dennis.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, 5450 South Lemay Ave, Fort Collins, Colorado. Private Commitment will be at Grandview Cemetery in Fort Collins. Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to the Arthritis Foundation (arthritis.org).

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

AUG **22**. 10:30 AM (MT)

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Parish Church
5450 S Lemay Avenue
Fort Collins , CO 80525

Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Leta Brandes lit a candle in memory of Amy Gardner*



Leta Brandes - May 08 at 06:46 PM

EB

“ *Estela Baca lit a candle in memory of Amy Gardner*



Estela Baca - June 17, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ *Amy was such a good friend. We loved going to the movies, eating out and riding bikes. Loved her laugh and she was a wonderful baker of cookies and sweets. She lived a good life and enjoyed the many friends she had. My condolences to her family*
Rose Mimiaga

Rose Mimiaga - June 07, 2025 at 12:21 PM

RM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. When I lived in Ft. Collins we were good friends. She was my date for the movies which she loved going to. We also rode our bikes when we lived close by. She was a terrific baker of delicious cookies and other sweets , We talked on the phone a lot and I remember her wonderful laugh. She was so proud of her family and adored her grandchildren. Thanks Nick for letting me know and I grieve with you for your loss.

Rose Mimiaga - June 07, 2025 at 11:47 AM

BR

“ We were blessed to live next door to Amy for 6 or 7 years. She graced our lives with her love, faith, optimism, and laughter. Her garage door was always open to us! This came in handy when she fell at night, and we would have to open it for the firemen. It was a sad day when we told her we were moving away. She brought joy into our lives. An added blessing was knowing her family. We grieve with all of you.

Bill and Carol Rowley - June 04, 2025 at 03:24 PM

NG

“ Nick Gardner lit a candle in memory of Amy Gardner



Nick Gardner - May 22, 2025 at 07:39 PM

JH

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Jackie Hooker - May 21, 2025 at 10:02 AM

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Nick Gardner - May 19, 2025 at 03:16 PM

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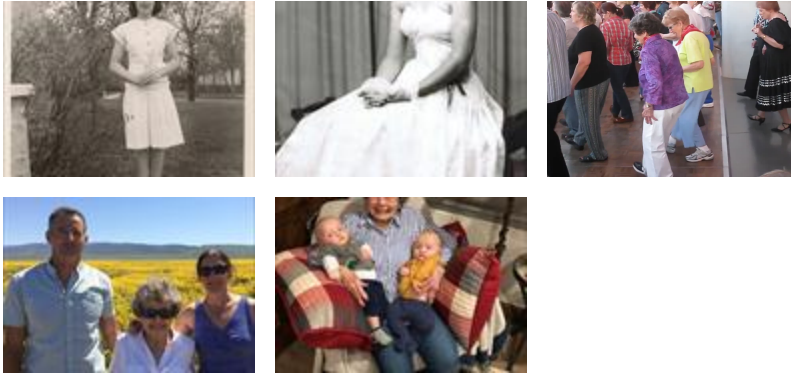
Oh these are such beautiful pictures of her! I miss her smile and sweetness. I hold you all in prayer and hope you are finding peace and comfort. Hugs to you all! Nick, sure do miss the fresh baked cookies.



Estela Baca - June 17, 2025 at 07:24 PM

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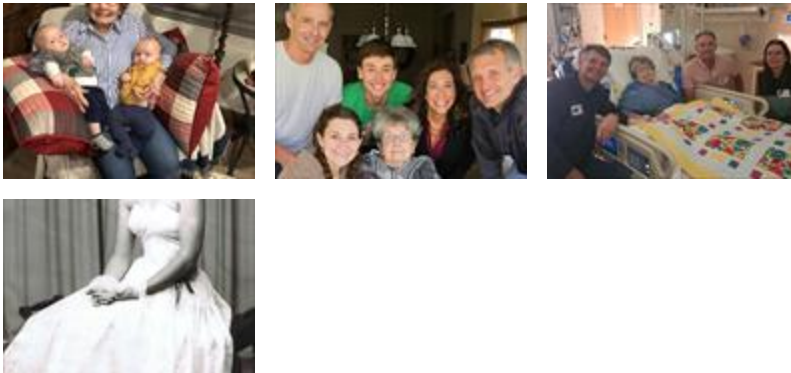
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Nick Gardner - May 18, 2025 at 08:28 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album Amy Lou Gardner



Nick Gardner - May 16, 2025 at 11:13 PM

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“ Nick Gardner lit a candle in memory of Amy Gardner



Nick Gardner - May 16, 2025 at 11:02 PM