



## Stephen Charles Dunphy

July 18, 1950 - April 12, 2020

Stephen Charles "Charlie" Dunphy age 69 of rural Harmon died Easter Sunday April 12, 2020 at his home. He was born July 18, 1950 in Dixon the son of Charles and Eileen (Morrissey) Dunphy. Charlie married Linda Schettler Aug. 18, 1978 at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, step mother Frances Dunphy, sister Charlene Miles, brothers Larry, P.H., and Tom Dunphy.

Charlie is survived by his wife Linda, daughters Rose (Tim) McAndrew of Kirkwood, MO, and Mary (Matt) McGrail of Dixon, three grandchildren Annie and Jack McGrail and Colleen McAndrew. He is also survived by two sisters Laneita Dunphy of Wilmington, DE and Bridget (Jim) Barry of Naperville and many nieces and nephews.

Charlie was a lifelong farmer in the Walton area and served as Marion Twp. Supervisor for over 30 years. He enjoyed restoring and riding vintage British and European motorcycles for many years, and more recently, built model railroads. Charlie and Linda took great pride in their farmstead, restoring much of their farmhouse, planting hundreds of trees, and welcoming family and friends, too numerous to count, to parties hosted in their "party barn." Charlie was a member of the Lee County Democratic Central Committee, and served on the Lee County Board for several terms.

A mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 AM Saturday June 26, 2021 at St Mary Catholic Church in Walton. Burial of Cremains will be at Holy Cross Cemetery in Harmon. A memorial has been established to the Lee County 4-H Fair Association.

# Cemetery

## Holy Cross Cemetery

Harmon, IL,

# Events

JUN 26	Service	10:30AM
	St. Mary Catholic Church Walton, IL, US	

# Comments

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“ Sorry for your loss prayers God bless

debra jay (merritt) - June 22 at 09:04 AM

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“ Charlie, was my brother in-law and friend. I grew up in Chicago and coming out to the farm was always a thrill. I drove tractors, but I had to start slow. I drove my first riding mower in 1989 with a few lessons from Charlie . I cut the lawn to his delight. I moved on to bigger machines from tractors and chisel plowing.to riding in the Combine. What a machine that is. His love of his motorcycles was the next thing I did for the first time , He taught me to be safe and aware, The first time I went on the road a deer came out of the corn and ran along side with me, kind of scary but fun. I helped when I could. I learned many things. His Harvest parties were always great fun.

You will.be missed Charlie bro.

Jimbo

Jim, Bridget, Eileen and Nellie Barry



Jim,Barry - May 06, 2020 at 12:05 PM

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“ Linda, I'm so sorry for your loss  
May God keep you close during to difficult time.Prayers for you and your family. Love  
Wendy Bley

Wendy Bley - April 26, 2020 at 12:45 PM

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“ Linda so sorry for your loss. Deepest sympathy for you and your family.

Steve and Lora Ketchum - April 17, 2020 at 10:15 AM



“ Linda and family. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You are all in my prayers at this difficult time.

**Bruce Bley** - April 17, 2020 at 09:43 AM

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“ I am very sorry to hear of Charley's passing. I knew him through pat lendman & motorcycles.He had a great sense of humor. A good guy.  
Mike Thomas,Polo,IL.

**michael thomas** - April 16, 2020 at 05:17 PM

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“ My last memory of Charlie was at Larry's funeral when He invited and I promised to visit him and Linda at the farm 'in the spring'. He wanted to show me his motorcycles. We were good 'Books on First' friends over the years. Now I send my deep condolences to Linda and the family on this most significant loss to all, not least to the community. May God Almighty provide for all who grieve with God's tender care and assurances of Christ's victory over death.  
David Nelson

**David H Nelson** - April 16, 2020 at 02:17 PM



“ I grew up in Walton and Charlie Dunphy was one of the best. He was there for everyone. A great loss for the community. The Jim Carrington family send prayers and condolences to the family. May God embrace you and comfort you now and in the coming days. So sorry for your loss.

**Carol Carrington Corning** - April 16, 2020 at 05:31 PM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. I considered Charlie as a motorcycle friend of mine. It was always good to see him around. We'll miss him.  
Pete Ayling

**Peter Ayling** - April 16, 2020 at 08:43 AM

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“ I have many fond memories with Charlie. From Walton Grade School to riding the "Harmon Flyer" to Newman, raucous ping pong games in "Big" Charlie's basement and campfires out in the yard on the farm in Harmon. Especially the jokes. Charlie was a wonderful source for jokes that I tell to this day. I will truly miss my good friend.

David Bieser - April 15, 2020 at 11:48 PM

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“ Mrs. Fields Deluxe Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Stephen Charles Dunphy.



April 15, 2020 at 10:00 PM

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“ I so enjoyed the times we shared in these last few years as I visited from Texas. He quietly endured our laughing at such silly things, and he always welcomed me so warmly. May you be comforted by the knowledge of the closeness you shared and the loving care you gave him, especially these past few years.

Nancy Madson - April 15, 2020 at 07:53 PM

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“ I have such good memories of Charlie from our school days at Newman Central Catholic High in Sterling, IL. His was a gentle and kind soul and always appreciated a good story followed by the greatest laugh ever. Blessings to his family. Rest in peace, friend. Kevin McKee, Class of 1968



Kevin McKee - April 15, 2020 at 07:48 PM

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“ He always had a smile for everyone.



**Lois Full** - April 15, 2020 at 05:49 PM

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“ Jennifer Boyd lit a candle in memory of Stephen Charles Dunphy



**Jennifer Boyd** - April 15, 2020 at 04:35 PM

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**debra jay** - April 15, 2020 at 03:36 PM

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“ What a kind and steady soul! Although I was more involved with Linda as my piano teacher and the girls when I was babysitting, Charlie was always ready with a smile and maybe a quiet joke. May your memories and his legacy keep you going during this time of loss. With love and prayers, Cindy (Smith) Heckman

**Cindy Heckman** - April 15, 2020 at 03:34 PM



“ So sorry for your loss a very kind Gentlemen indeed.

**Eileen Considine** - April 15, 2020 at 05:10 PM

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“ Ron And Tami Ackert lit a candle in memory of Stephen Charles Dunphy



**Ron and Tami Ackert** - April 15, 2020 at 12:24 PM