



Beverly Ann Power

September 11, 1937 - August 16, 2020

Beverly Ann (Dupre) Power, 82, of Franklin Grove, IL, surrounded by her loving family, died on Sunday, August 16, 2020 at Serenity Hospice in Oregon, IL. Bev was born September 11, 1937 in New Orleans, LA, the eldest daughter of Jean-Claude and Agnes (Barrios) Dupre. She graduated from Holy Savior High School in Lockport, LA and raised 3 children with her husband, Martin, while completing her degree in Education at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston before becoming an educator, civic & civil servant, child advocate and volunteer serving the people of Lee County, her family and the world.

Bev was united in marriage to Martin G Power on May 26, 1956 in New Orleans, LA and he preceded her in death on July 12, 1995. She was a longtime member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon where she served as a lector and was very active in its Loaves & Fishes Ministry among other things for the parish. Bev worked over the years as a teacher and/or librarian for Dixon CSD 170, Lee Center CSD 271 and Ashton CSD 275, where she spent 16 years, and was elected and reelected to the Lee County Board, where she served 14 years. Bev also served on the Library and Cemetery Boards of Franklin Grove and was a member of the local chapters of P.E.O. and Kiwanis International in addition to her volunteer work, which among other things, included, serving as a Court-appointed special advocate (CASA) for children and being a Global Volunteer, sharing herself with the world and those experiences with the community while instilling a broader sense of the

same and its people within her grandchildren that she would periodically enlist to volunteer abroad with her.

Bev is survived by her children: Gregory Power of Playa Vista, CA; Ann Wildman of Monticello, IL; Jon (Tracie) Power of Sterling; her grandchildren: Victoria (Firas) Arfaoui; Patrick, Katherine & Brandon Wildman; Jonathan Power; Lauren & Olivia McCue and three great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Theresa (Alex) Breaux and sisters-in-law, Shirley Power, Arvella Dupre & Gail Dupre, all of Louisiana, along with a good number of nieces and nephews and members of their families.

Bev is preceded in death by her husband, Martin Power; her parents, Agnes & Jean-Claude Dupre; her parents-in-law, Vivian & Michael Power, Sr.; her two brothers, Lee Dupre & Richard Dupre; her brother-in-law, Michael Power, Jr.; her son-in-law, Michael Wildman; a granddaughter, Danielle Justine Power and a grandson, Kevin Nicolas Power.

As cremation rites have been accorded and burial of cremains will take place in Franklin Grove Cemetery there will be no Funeral Mass at St. Patrick's. A memorial to St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon has been established.

Cemetery Details

Franklin Grove Cemetery

N State St
Franklin Grove, IL 61031

Tribute Wall



“ *Beverly Ann Power*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Beverly Ann Power*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *My condolences and prayers to the Power family in their time of grief. I only know Greg but I can see where he got his volunteering spirit from. Beverly must have been a wonderful person to know. May we be inspired by her life and her faith.*

Anne Carayon - August 22, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ *my deepest sympathies and heartfelt prayers to the family of this wonderful woman. Bev was truly a renaissance woman, who found joy in everything she did..and Boy did she do a lot!__I was on library board with Bev when she was instrumental in construction of our then new library in FG, and, over the years, shared a common interest in all things books.
A intelligent, involved, civic minded, deeply religious, always friendly person, she will be deeply missed by all who knew her. God Bless her, her family, and all who shared her life.
--gene o'brien*

gene o'brien - August 21, 2020 at 08:35 PM

JV

“ My deepest and sincerest sympathy to you and your family for the loss of your beloved mother. May all your memories of her comfort you always.

Sincerest regards,
Jackie V.

Jackie V. - August 21, 2020 at 07:21 PM

MH

“ While others knew her better than I, my contacts with Beverly decades ago ALWAYS left me with the impression that, "Here is one FINE LADY !"

mike heckman - August 21, 2020 at 10:51 AM

PM

“ I was so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother and grandmother. She was always such a positive and caring member of our parish and community. Always enjoyed talking and especially loved hearing about her mission travels with her grandchildren. What a gift she gave you. God has called home a real servant and she will be greatly missed by so many.

Penny and Gary Mallo

Penny & Gary Mallo - August 20, 2020 at 10:29 PM

LH

“ Bev was a kind, caring woman that helped her community in so many ways. I was glad to have the chance to know her. God bless her and her family.

Laura Hilliker

Laura Hilliker - August 20, 2020 at 09:04 PM

VH

“ *Such a sweet lady. I always enjoyed talking to her whenever I would see her. She will truly be missed.
My Deepest Sympathy to the whole family
Vicky (Spangler) Horton*

Vicky Horton - August 20, 2020 at 06:27 PM

JZ

“ *That smile! Bev always had a smile and positive outlook on life and her students' lives. What a wonderful role model for students. Bev genuinely cared about her students and their social-emotional well-being. The communities and students from Lee Center, Franklin Grove and Ashton have much to be thankful for as Bev's attitude, teaching and example truly made a positive and lasting difference in so many lives.*

John Zick

John Zick - August 20, 2020 at 04:24 PM

 Mary
Ferolo

“ *Beverly lived a life of service to her family and others. She will be missed by so many people. We celebrate her life. Mary Ann and Jim Ferolo.*

Mary Ferolo - August 20, 2020 at 02:20 PM

DS

“ *Our prayers and condolences to Bev's family and friends during this difficult time. I worked with Martin and Jon at Dixon CC, and enjoyed seeing Bev at our social events.*

Joe and Diane Stewart

Diane Stewart - August 20, 2020 at 10:45 AM

JD

“ *Bev's friends of the Phidian Art Club will miss her kind and involved presence. We send our sympathy to all her loving family.*
Judy Dixon for the Phidian Art Club

Judy Dixon - August 20, 2020 at 10:05 AM

GV

“ *Bev was a wonderful, caring, and beautiful lady. Her dedication to our Kiwanis Club was unstinting and she spent several years as our Advisor to the Dixon HS Key Club. I succeeded her in that position and can honestly say I have spent many years trying to live up to her example. God Bless you Bev, and RIP*

Geoff Vanderlin - August 19, 2020 at 10:21 PM

JE

“ *Bev was a very nice lady! I enjoyed seeing her at church! My condolences and prayers are with your family!*

Janine Eykamp - August 19, 2020 at 09:23 PM

MH

“ *Bev was one of the kindest, warm, loving person I knew. She lived her faith by caring for her family like no other.*

We send our deepest sympathies to her family. Rest In Peace, Bev. You have fought the good fight. You have finished the race. God bless you, now and forever.

Love,

Joe and Marlene Hilliker

Marlene Hilliker - August 19, 2020 at 05:00 PM