



## Geraldine A. Stevens

August 3, 1938 - February 8, 2018

Geraldine A. "Gerry" Stevens of Dixon died February 8th, 2018 in her home surrounded by her family.

She was born on August 3, 1938 in Dixon, IL the daughter of Harold and Roseann (Friel) Coffey.

Gerry married Robert D. "Bob" Stevens, Sept. 21, 1957 in Dixon, IL. Shortly after their marriage, Bob was drafted into the US Army and stationed in Gehlhausen, Germany. While there at the age of 19, Gerry became a youth activity director and cheerleading counselor.

She became a licensed real estate agent in 1971, a broker in 1974, opened Stevens Realtors in 1977 and was the first woman to own her own realty company in Lee County. Through hard work, long hours and exceptional service, she achieved much success and many awards including "Realtor of the Year" in 1986.

Gerry served the community as a member of the Board of Directors for several groups: Lee County Board of Realtors, Kreider Services, Inc., Dixon Industrial Development Association and the first woman president of the Dixon Area Chamber of Commerce. She was also active in Dixon Rotary and instrumental in setting up Dixon Main Street and the Lee-Ogle Crime Stopper Board.

She was a faithful member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church where she thoroughly enjoyed volunteering in many capacities including Loaves & Fishes, cleaning the church, counting donations and laundering the servers'

albs. She also volunteered for many other organizations in her community such as Meals on Wheels, Buddy Bags and the Serving Up Summer lunch program.

Gerry retired in 2001 so she could be the “helpful grandma”. She believed the greatest gifts her children blessed her with were her grandsons whom she followed closely and served as a remarkable role model for. She treasured spending time with family and friends, whether playing cards, bowling or as she called it “therapy”, breakfast after church, picnics or just simply chatting while watching the river go by.

Her love of God, family, friends and life are an inspiration to those that had the privilege of knowing her. She will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her husband Bob; one son, Bob (Sue) Stevens of Parker, CO, one daughter Tracy (Bill) Webb of Dixon; three grandsons, Bobby Stevens of Parker, CO, Garrett Webb of Davenport, IA and Hunter Webb of Dixon. She is also survived by her two brothers Tom (Marilyn) Coffey of Dixon and Bob (Delora) Coffey of Pueblo West, CO and her sister Mary (John) Murphy of Dixon; “second daughter” Pam (Clark) Lumsden and numerous close cousins, nieces and nephews and cherished friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother Joe Coffey.

A visitation will be held on Sunday, February 11, 2018, from 4-7 PM at the Holloway Center of St. Patrick’s Church in Dixon. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, February 12, at 10:30 AM, at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in Dixon, with Rev. Keith Romke, officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Dixon.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave  
Dixon, IL 61021

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St Patrick Catholic Church Holloway Center  
612 Highland Ave  
Dixon, IL 61021

## Service

FEB 12. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon  
612 S. Highland Ave.  
Dixon, IL 61021  
(815) 284-7719  
office@stpatrickdixon.comcastbiz.net  
<http://www.stpatrickdixon.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Geraldine A. Stevens*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Geraldine A. Stevens*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Saddened to hear of Gerry passing. A lot of memories of years ago and all the laughs we had. She was so upbeat! Sympathy to you, Bobby and Stacey.*

*Rest in Peace Gerry.*

*Penny (Lookingland) and Dick Yocum*

Penny Yocum - February 14, 2018 at 11:27 AM



“ *Bob*  
*So sorry to hear about Gerry. Didn't realize what an active, successful person she was. Thinking about you. Remembering the old. happier days, All our sympathy for your loss.*

*John & Ellie Spangler*

John & Ellie Spangler - February 13, 2018 at 04:05 PM

CC

“ Bob,  
Very sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you!  
Caroline Caliguri and Family

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**Caroline Caliguri** - February 13, 2018 at 08:00 AM

BH

“ We are so sorry to hear this. Kyle and I wished we could be there for the services. We love you all and are praying for all of you during this difficult time.

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**Brittany Herwig** - February 12, 2018 at 06:19 PM

MK

“ I am so sorry hearing about Gerry's passing. It breaks my heart that a lady as wonderful and caring as she was had to go through what she did. I'm praying for you Bob and the entire family. Also everyone who loved her and grieving here passing. She was a remarkable person that I was in awe of and looked up to. I will miss her.

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**Maureen Kallas** - February 11, 2018 at 05:26 PM

DS

“ What a shock it was of reading of Gerry's passing in the paper. My condolences to her husband Bob, her children & grandchildren. I bought my 1st house from her in 1983 and lived in it for 15 years. My children still say it was the best house they have ever lived in. May she Rest In Peace!

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**Dennis Stowell** - February 11, 2018 at 02:36 AM

AL

“ Gerry was such a thoughtful, kind, and giving person. I know she will be missed by many.

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**alison** - February 10, 2018 at 09:15 PM

 Tom  
Burrs

“ Bob I am so sad for Gerry's passing. She was one of the nicest people I have ever known. Always love her positive happy attitude. You were one lucky guy to have her in your life.

*Tom and RoxanneBurrs*

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**Tom Burrs** - February 10, 2018 at 03:32 PM

PJ

“ Dear Bob, So sorry to hear of Jerry 's passing. I did not know she was ill. She was always smiliPenny ng and pleasant when she delivered the meals. God bless you and your family..Penny Fleming Johns

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**Penny Johns** - February 10, 2018 at 03:04 PM

DS

“ Our prayers and condolences to the Stevens family. I met Gerry years ago while working at Dixon, Devine, Ray & Morin law office...we sure processed alot of deeds and sale contracts in late the 70s and early 80s. She was a wonderful person and a joy to meet.

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**Diane Stewart** - February 10, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geraldine A. Stevens.*



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February 10, 2018 at 01:09 PM



“ *Sincere condolences for your entire family. I have kept you in my prayers since son, Bob, informed me of her situation. Peace be with you.*

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**Todd Grisier** - February 10, 2018 at 11:31 AM



“ *Bob & family,  
So very sorry to hear of Gerry's passing. She was a wonderful lady and the first person who ever really said to me (speaking of selling real estate) "you can do this!". It meant the world to me to have someone believe in me!  
Sue McCoy*

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**Sue McCoy** - February 10, 2018 at 07:48 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Gerry's family and friends during this difficult times. Gerry was a very sweet lady.*

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**Kathy Thomas** - February 09, 2018 at 03:50 PM

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“ We lived in Franklin Grove for 4 years while my Husband, Bill, was teaching/coaching.  
Gerry was like a sister to me. I will miss her happy attitude & smile,  
Anna Mae & Bill

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**Anna Mae Roberts** - February 09, 2018 at 03:42 PM