



Louise A. Corken

June 30, 1938 - February 9, 2025

Louise A Corken age 86 of Dixon passed away on Sunday Feb. 9, 2025 at Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon. She was born on June 30, 1938 in Dixon the daughter of Sherwood and Helen (Cahill) Dixon. Dixon High School graduate (1956), BA Rosary College (1960) and MS NIU (1992) . Louise was a teacher for 35 years, which included 30 years in Dixon Public Schools and another 20 years subbing in retirement. Louise was a member of St. Anne's Church. She was active within the Dixon community throughout her life. She served in various roles as a Girl Scout and Cub Scout leader, Lee County Cancer Society, KSB Hospital Auxiliary, Sister Cities Program, Dixon Lioness, Dixon Park Board, Dixon Library Board, City of Dixon Plan Commission, Dixon Education Association. Her passion since 2010, was the St. Vincent DePaul society. She married Thomas J. Corken on July 31, 1965. He preceded her in death on April 21, 1998. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Mary Langan and brother in-law Greg Langan, brothers Henry Dixon, William Dixon, Patrick Dixon, and son in law William "John" Henry. She is survived by her children Helen Henry of Dixon, James Corken of Hillsborough NC, Katie Corken of Rockford, David (Megan) Corken of Chicago, seven grandchildren Cody Hawkins, Kalei Williams, Ellie Corken, Thomas Corken, Sam Corken, Seamus Corken, Finley Corken, and great grandchildren Leila Louise Williams-Ali. She is survived by her brother James (Judy) Dixon of Dixon, David (Marge) Dixon of Grand Detour, sister in law Linda Giesen of Dixon, brother in law Mike (Linda) Corken of Aurora, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Saturday Feb. 15, 2025 at 11a at St. Anne Church, Dixon. Visitation will be on Friday Feb. 14, 2025 from 2-7p at the Hollow Center adjacent to St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon. Luncheon to follow burial. Arrangements made by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon. Memorials to St. Vincent DePaul Society.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **14**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Holloway Center
612 Highland Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Service

FEB **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Anne's Catholic Church
1104 N Brinton Ave
Dixon, IL 61021-1297
(815) 288-3131

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise A. Corken.

September 29, 2025 at 12:31 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise A. Corken.

March 24, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ A colleague, a friend, a fellow Irishman; you will be missed.

Frank Cahill - February 26, 2025 at 09:35 PM



“ Louise had been a member of the Library Book club for many years. For some time afterwards when we would meet, she would always recommend a book. They were always a good read.

Judy M Schwarz - February 16, 2025 at 02:34 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise A. Corken.



February 14, 2025 at 04:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise A. Corken.

February 14, 2025 at 04:28 PM



“ I met Louise thru St. Vincent Da Paul I admired so many things about her, how she seemed to know everyone, how easily she helped people knowing exactly what was needed, and how she loved everyone equally. She will be missed by many including me. I feel very fortunate to have known her and have been blessed.

carol kutz - February 14, 2025 at 12:53 PM



“ carol kutz lit a candle in memory of Louise Corken



carol kutz - February 14, 2025 at 12:48 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Louise A. Corken.



February 14, 2025 at 11:48 AM

LE

“ Lee & Marti Eastman purchased the *Pretty Pleas* e for the family of Louise A. Corken.



Lee & Marti Eastman - February 14, 2025 at 09:50 AM

LE

“ Lee & Marti Eastman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louise A. Corken.

Lee & Marti Eastman - February 14, 2025 at 09:50 AM

MR

“ It was always a joy to learn Mrs. Corken would be subbing one of my classes. There could be no nonsense, but always room for a laugh. We struck a bargain once, and I'll always keep with me the encouragement that she offered through it. My sympathies to the Corken and Dixon families; Mrs. Corken will be remembered fondly.

Matthew Renne - February 14, 2025 at 08:06 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise A. Corken.



February 14, 2025 at 07:56 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise A. Corken.

February 14, 2025 at 07:56 AM



“ Matthew Renne purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louise A. Corken.



Matthew Renne - February 14, 2025 at 07:44 AM



“ Matthew Renne planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louise A. Corken.

Matthew Renne - February 14, 2025 at 07:44 AM



“ Dan and Sherry Lendman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louise A. Corken.



Dan and Sherry Lendman - February 12, 2025 at 05:20 PM

BW

“ Bradley Wagner lit a candle in memory of Louise Corken



Bradley Wagner - February 12, 2025 at 01:27 PM

LF

“ Love, The Kitzman Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Louise A. Corken.



Love, The Kitzman Family - February 12, 2025 at 12:14 PM

LF

“ Love, The Kitzman Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louise A. Corken.

Love, The Kitzman Family - February 12, 2025 at 12:14 PM

DF

“ Our condolences to the Corken family. Mrs. Corken was a wonderful friend to my family. She was a great friend to my parents and she always supported and encouraged myself and my siblings. Her advocacy and dedication to the field of education was so appreciated. Her life had an impact on many. Our thoughts are with you. Darci (Densmore) and Dana Francis and Family

Darci Francis - February 12, 2025 at 10:40 AM

DS

“ My condolences to the Corken family. Louise was a wonderful lady who made a difference in so many lives in so many ways throughout the Dixon community and beyond. Thank you Louise for all your kindness and determination in teaching all students.

David Stanley - February 11, 2025 at 06:15 PM

SA

“ My most sincere condolences to the family of Louise Corken. She will be missed by so many. To spend time with Louise was so enjoyable. She was a powerhouse, and also tremendously kind.

Sheila K Ames

Sheila Ames - February 11, 2025 at 02:22 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise A. Corken.



February 11, 2025 at 01:17 PM

MR

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was so sweet and good to my mom, Mary Lou Joyce, took her to Ireland which was her life long dream. May she rest in peace. Hugs to all of you.

Mary Rostkowski - February 11, 2025 at 08:59 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Louise A. Corken.*



February 11, 2025 at 07:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Louise A. Corken.

February 11, 2025 at 07:33 AM



“ *Cindy Beach lit a candle in memory of Louise Corken*



Cindy Beach - February 11, 2025 at 04:48 AM



“ *Louise and Tom were among our best friends in Dixon.*

They loved Dixon and their family. Louise was a wonderful woman, teacher and Mother. She will be missed by me and many others. All our love and prayers. God bless you, Louise.

Jim and Linda Nelson of Bristol, TN - February 10, 2025 at 10:40 PM

PH

“ Louise’s passing saddens us! Over our Dixon years Patti & I came to value our upbeat and mile-filled encounters with Louise. Her always upbeat “take” on the too-often troubling events of life caused us to do our best to try to follow her example and look on the “bright side” of this often troubling side that accompanies life’s challenges!
The Heckmans

Patti and Mike Heckman - February 10, 2025 at 09:39 PM

TC

“ The Cahill Cousins... Mary (Cahill) Daniel, Ed Cahill & Bob Cahill purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Louise A. Corken.



The Cahill Cousins... Mary (Cahill) Daniel, Ed Cahill & Bob Cahill - February 10, 2025 at 09:26 PM

PH

“ Louise always impressed us as a “classy lady” and a kind and upbeat personality whenever Patti and I had the good fortune to connect with her in our years in Dixon! Her death leaves us among those many of us who knew Louise as someone we wished we could be more like her in treating others with good nature and the respectful behavior Louise ALWAYS evidenced in the too few life connections we were fortunate to share with her! She was an example of a life well-lived !
Patti and Mike Heckman

Patti and Mike Heckman - February 10, 2025 at 08:47 PM

JS

“ Louise was a lovely lady. I recently had the pleasure of talking with her about education; she was certainly someone to look up to regarding that topic. No matter where I was, Louise always made a point to stop and chat. To all her family, please accept my sincere condolences. She will be missed.



Jean Spohn - February 10, 2025 at 07:51 PM

RB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Louise's death, and we send condolences to her family. No doubt, she was one of our favorite people. I have known her in so many ways: fellow, very effective educator, fellow teacher in the catechism high school program at St. Anne's, a true friend, a person with such an inquisitive mind, and with a great sense of humor. We had lunch with her last summer, enjoying some great conversation. We will miss her tremendously...a truly great person!!

Richard Boyer - February 10, 2025 at 06:36 PM

SK

We are sorry to hear of Louise's death. I worked with her in many different areas and it was always colorful. Many teachers should also remember her for getting the SOCIAL SECURITY FAIRNESS ACT passed...truly a wonderful woman.

Steven F Keegan - March 12, 2025 at 07:25 PM

BS

“ I am holding your family in my prayers and extend my deepest sympathies. Mrs. Corken was a wonderful woman, and educator. Any time I knew she would be subbing for my class, it made my entire day. I will miss her wit and kindness.

*With deepest sympathies,
Blair Sambdman Sullivan*

Blair Sullivan - February 10, 2025 at 06:21 PM