



## Rita Conroy

December 10, 1925 - June 8, 2012

Rita Conroy age 86 of Dixon died Friday June 8, 2012 at the Amboy Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. She was born Dec. 10, 1925 in Dixon the daughter of David and Kathryn (Coffey) Gardner. She was a teacher at St Mary Grade School in Dixon for 24 years and prior to that had taught at Merrell School in Rock Falls. She was a member of St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon and the Catholic Women's Club and the KC Ladies. Rita married Edward J Conroy Sept. 4, 1950 at St Patricks in Dixon. He preceded her in death May 24, 2005. She was also preceded in death by a grandson Michael Lovaas and a brother David Gail Gardner. She is survived by her children, Mary Kathryn "Kakie" (Bill) Lovaas of Oak Park, Jane Toole of Bradenton, FL, Margaret "Margie" (Rich) Hansen of Dixon, Edward (Diane) Conroy of Byron and Rita Ann (Steve) Nolan of Lakeworth, FL., 12 grandchildren, Benjamin, Peter and Marit Lovaas, Cody Toole, Josh and Erika Hansen, Jamie (Tamara) Hansen, Emily, Hayley and Leah Conroy, Bobby and Charlie Nolan, 4 great grandchildren, Bronson, Jayda, Kenna and Emerson Hansen. Rita is also survived by 2 sisters Jane Clinker of Dixon and Sue (Rod) Schroeder of Prophetstown, IL and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday June 13, 2012 beginning with a 10:00 AM prayer services in the Jones Funeral Home followed by a 10:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial at St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. John Gow officiating. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon. Visitation will be on Tuesday from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home with the Rosary at 7:30 PM. A

memorial has been established to St Mary School in Dixon.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rita Conroy*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Rita Conroy*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Thanks to Rita and all the Conroy's who had influence on the Rocks. You are remembered fondly.*

**Ed and Joy Rock** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Jane & Cody, you & your family are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.*

**Cheryl Roberts** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Conroy family,  
My deepest sympathy to you at this sad time. I have many happy memories of your mother, we spent hours visiting on the front yard of your house and at the cottage. What wonderful times your parents, Paul and I had going to the Knights of Columbus meetings, etc. I will remember your dear mother in my prayers. Love, Winnie*

**Mrs Paul Green** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ To the Conroy Family,

*I was saddened to read of your mother's death - May she rest in peace. I always enjoyed visiting with your mother when I would take my mother to June's to have her hair done. It seemed as if the two of them were generally there at the same time. Then, when the two of them both ended up at the nursing home in Amboy, I would see your mom and have a short visit with her when I would go to visit my mother. Your mother was a lovely lady and always friendly and enjoyable to visit with!*

*May our loving God bless you all with many wonderful and special memories.*

*With sincere sympathy,  
Gary*

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**GARY N CATER** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *I have many great memories of spending time at the Conroy's home during elementary school years that will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Sharon Hatch Walters** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *You have been in our thoughts & prayers during this difficult time. Fondest memories of Rita teaching our children (and all the hard times Ralph gave her.) Always enjoyed talking with her.  
Love, Joe & Theresa Wolf*

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**Joe & Theresa Wolf** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JQ

“ Please accept our prayers of Peace for the Conroy family.  
Love,  
The Quigley's

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**Jimmy/Carol Quigley** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ We send our condolences to Jane, Cody, and the rest of the Conroy family. We know her kind and loving spirit will be dearly missed, but her memory lives on. May her soul rest in peace.

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**The Onugha** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ I am so saddened to hear of your loss. I know it is one of the most difficult things to go through. I was Mrs. Conroy's teacher's aide in her kindergarten at St. Mary's school during the 1982-83 school year. She was kind to me and lovely to work with.

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**Elaine Palmer** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Jane and Cody,  
Sending our love and prayers to you both.

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**The allens** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Jane & Cody,  
All your Bradenton friends are thinking of you at this difficult time and keeping you in our prayers. We wish you comfort in your memories and safe travels. What a beautiful picture of your mother!  
Ann

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**Ann Day** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DI

“ *Mindy shared the sad news of your Mother's passing. I am so sorry for your loss and will pray for your dear mother's soul. She certainly raised a kind and gentle daughter.* ”

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**Diana** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Our love and thoughts and prayers are with you and Cody and the whole family.* ”

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**Mindy Hill** - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM