



## Vivian Clara Burke

January 1, 1931 - April 15, 2016

Vivian C. Burke, age 85, of Dixon, died Friday, April 15, 2016, surrounded by her family at KSB Hospital in Dixon. She was born January 1, 1931, in Sublette, the daughter of Arthur and Clara (Sibigtroth) Leffelman.

She had farmed with her husband for 20 years in the Maytown area, co-owned and operated Goy Hardware for 5 years in Ohio, and worked at LCN Closers in Princeton for 16 years prior to her retirement.

Vivian was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon, and the Green River Saddle Club in Amboy. She enjoyed gardening, adult coloring books, traveling with her husbands, and spending time with her family. She was a devoted and prayerful Catholic.

She married Joseph R. Goy April 14, 1951, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Maytown. He preceded her in death January 29, 1993. She then married Daniel J. Burke, Jr., December 2, 1995, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Ohio. He preceded her in death October 4, 2013.

Vivian was also preceded in death by 3 brothers Hubert, Delbert, and Norbert Leffelman; 1 sister Ruby McLaughlin.

Survivors include her 2 children Yvonne (Joe) Rakowski of Ohio, IL, and Greg (Meg) Goy of Oregon, IL; 4 step-children Mike (Sue) Burke of Chana, Kathy (Larry) Yocum of Franklin Grove, Karen (Ed) Baylor of Ashton, and Janine (Mark) Eykamp of Dixon; 5 grandchildren; 8 step-grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; 7 step-great grandchildren; 1 brother Gilbert (Linda) Leffelman; 2 sisters Carol (Charles) Koch of Fond du Lac, WI, and Norma (Leo)

Bushman of Maytown; numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 AM Wednesday, April 20, 2016, in St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Bernard Sehr, officiating. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery in Ohio. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 19, from 4:00 until 8:00 PM in the Holloway Center at St Patrick's with a scripture service at 7:30 PM. A memorial has been established.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

Ohio, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Holloway Center  
612 Highland Ave  
Dixon, IL 61021

## Service

APR 20. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vivian Clara Burke*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Vivian Clara Burke*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *My name is Laurie Sherrick. I met Vivian at Liberty Court when my mom, Lois White, was a resident there as well. These two were the newbies and soon struck up a friendship. I met some of you in October at the family night meal. Mom was so excited to get to know your mom. Her conversations soon became filled with stories about what they had chatted about or what activity they had participated in. I always enjoyed chatting with Vivian when I was at Liberty Court. She was a pleasant and gracious lady. She was so excited about the coloring pages she was working on. Mom passed away rather suddenly in November so their friendship was brief but I know it made a difference in my Mom's life and she was blessed by meeting your mom.*

*I was saddened to see the obituary in the paper yesterday. You have my deepest sympathy at your loss. I know you have many wonderful memories and they will be a comfort to you.*

*Sincerely,  
Laurie Sherrick*

Laurie Sherrick - April 19, 2016 at 10:39 AM