Darlene K. Stevens

June 1, 1940 - February 21, 2023

To join the livestream of Darlene's funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream presentation will begin at 10:50 AM Friday, February 24, 2023. The ceremony will also be archived for future viewing. https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTY3NzExMDExNTIzNzQyMSZvbmVyb29tLWFkbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==

Darlene Kay (Saunders) Stevens, age 82, a resident of rural Buncombe, passed away Tuesday morning, February 21, 2023, at 9:45 AM at her home.

Darlene was born June 1, 1940 in Dixon, Illinois. She was the third of thirteen children born to Cecil and Marion (Reigle) Saunders.

On February 24, 1961, Darlene was united in marriage to Jim Stevens in Dixon, Illinois. He survives.

Darlene is also survived by: 2 sons – Marty (Debbie) Stevens of Buncombe and Jamie (Gerri) Stevens of Paducah, Kentucky; 4 grandchildren – Tyler (Kacey) Stevens, Tiffany (Wyatt) Copeland, Kayli Stevens, and Conner Stevens; 2 great grandchildren – Dominic Stevens and Axton Stevens; 11 siblings; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

In addition to her parents, Darlene was preceded in death by stillborn twin

infant daughters – Debra and Darla Stevens; and a brother – Monte Saunders.

Darlene was a 1958 graduate of Dixon High School. She was employed for approximately 22 years by the U.S. Postal Service and served as post master in a number of local post offices.

Darlene was a faithful member of Bethany Baptist Church. She enjoyed gardening and cherished time spent with her grandchildren.

A Funeral Service honoring the life of Darlene Stevens will be conducted Friday, February 24, 2023, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Jay Franklin will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, near Buncombe.

Visitation will be held Thursday, February 23, 2023, from 5 PM – 7 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the Pleasant Grove Cemetery, c/o Terry Norris, 300 May Avenue, Buncombe, IL 62912.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Cemetery

IL Route 146 West
Buncombe, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
https://baileyfh.com

Service

FEB **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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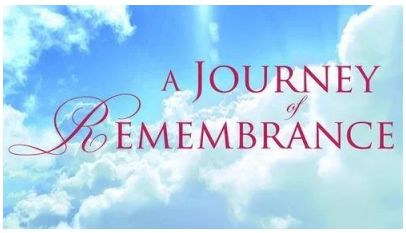
Luncheon

FEB **24**. 1:30 PM (CT)

Bethany Baptist Church
555 Bethany Church Road
Cypress, IL 62923

Tribute Wall

Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Darlene K. Stevens



Bailey Funeral Home - February 24, 2023 at 05:20 PM

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SE

Jim and sons, i am so sorry to hear of Darlene's passing. You may not remember me, but I am LaVelle Davis sister. Darlene was a wonderful woman. May God give all of you peace and comfort during this time of grieving!!

Shelby Marks Evrard - March 11, 2023 at 12:24 AM

CF

Jim and family, Richard and I were so sorry to hear the passing of Darlene. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May sweet memories bring comfort to all of you at this sad time.
We love you friend.

Richard and Joan Faulkner-Owen

c Joan Faulkner - March 03, 2023 at 10:53 AM

LM

Jim and family, our condolences, so very sorry to hear of Darlene's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Larry Mizell - March 02, 2023 at 08:35 PM

RG

The best years of our lives was spent, being neighbors to the Stevens. In Wyoming,IL. Love Roy & Linda Grant.

roy grant - February 24, 2023 at 12:51 PM

Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Darlene K. Stevens.

February 23, 2023 at 04:19 PM

NW

Neal & Carol Watkins lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Neal & Carol Watkins - February 23, 2023 at 04:09 PM

BA

Barb Bullock Ashley lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Barb Bullock Ashley - February 23, 2023 at 03:43 PM

JM

Our sympathy and prayers be with the family.

James and Linda McNeely - February 23, 2023 at 12:33 PM

SH

Jim, we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Scott & Linda Hardy

Scott & Linda Hardy - February 23, 2023 at 12:20 PM

CH

Cheryl Harris lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Cheryl Harris - February 23, 2023 at 12:02 PM

Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Darlene K. Stevens.

February 23, 2023 at 10:21 AM

Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darlene K. Stevens.

February 23, 2023 at 10:20 AM

BR

Bobby & Debbie Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Bobby & Debbie Rentfro - February 23, 2023 at 12:55 AM

Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Darlene K. Stevens.

February 22, 2023 at 08:18 PM

JG

Jody Goodman lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

jody goodman - February 22, 2023 at 07:31 PM

Ron McBride

Ron McBride lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Ron McBride - February 22, 2023 at 06:33 PM

DS

I remember my cousin Darlene well. My condolences to Jim and family. Just glad she has no more pain.

Dwayne. Siex - February 22, 2023 at 06:09 PM

JP

Johnson County Republican Party lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Johnson County Republican Party - February 22, 2023 at 05:55 PM

FH

Frederick And Betty Heaton lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Frederick and Betty Heaton - February 22, 2023 at 05:54 PM

SD

7 files added to the tribute wall

Sherie DeDore - February 22, 2023 at 05:11 PM

RA

So sorry to hear this prayers for Jim and the family

Robert and Brenda Ames - February 22, 2023 at 04:33 PM

BJ

Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Barbara Jeffress - February 22, 2023 at 04:33 PM

DS

Dale Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Dale Schierbaum - February 22, 2023 at 04:16 PM

Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Darlene K. Stevens.

February 22, 2023 at 03:57 PM

GT

Greg Taylor lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Greg Taylor - February 22, 2023 at 03:18 PM

Carol Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Carol Bryant - February 22, 2023 at 03:16 PM

Darlene and Jim were Great friends of my Father Deon Orange Darlene prayed so many times for Me and my Family through all illness She was a God Loving woman the sweetest soul , I have met She will be so missed by all she touched Rest easy Darlene no more pain and I know our God has got you in his arms. Untill we meet her again I know she will welcome us there. Sending Love and sympathy to Jim and family

Carol Bryant - February 22, 2023 at 03:24 PM

Mitzie Nichols-Augustus lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Mitzie Nichols-Augustus - February 22, 2023 at 02:53 PM

LM

Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Linda and Jeff Mathis - February 22, 2023 at 02:25 PM

BW

Bill And Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Bill and Barb Warmack - February 22, 2023 at 12:24 PM

MS

Mike And Nancy Solomon lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Mike and Nancy Solomon - February 22, 2023 at 10:00 AM

MS

Jim we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Mike and Nancy Solomon - February 22, 2023 at 10:03 AM

TR

Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Teresa Richerson - February 22, 2023 at 07:29 AM

DR

Debbie And Bill Rigsby lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Debbie and Bill Rigsby - February 22, 2023 at 04:13 AM

LD

Lonnie Dunn lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Lonnie Dunn - February 22, 2023 at 01:33 AM

FH

Frederick And Betty Heaton lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Frederick and Betty Heaton - February 21, 2023 at 11:08 PM

LG

Lora Goddard lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Lora Goddard - February 21, 2023 at 10:29 PM

MH

Mary Hynes lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Mary Hynes - February 21, 2023 at 10:13 PM

GH

Gary & Janet Hacker lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Gary & Janet Hacker - February 21, 2023 at 09:45 PM

EH

Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Ernie Henshaw - February 21, 2023 at 09:12 PM

JM

So sorry to hear this. Sending love and prayers for your family.

JD and Tammy Mathis - February 21, 2023 at 09:00 PM

LM

Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Larry and Carolyn McGill - February 21, 2023 at 08:51 PM

AM

Arlene R Miles lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Arlene R Miles - February 21, 2023 at 08:24 PM

DH

Dallas And Charlene Harner lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Dallas and Charlene Harner - February 21, 2023 at 08:08 PM

LK

Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Linda Koehler - February 21, 2023 at 07:56 PM

KB

Kenny And Diane Baker lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Kenny and Diane Baker - February 21, 2023 at 07:53 PM

JS

John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

John Slack - February 21, 2023 at 07:38 PM

KB

Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Karen Brumley - February 21, 2023 at 07:38 PM

SL

Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay

Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay - February 21, 2023 at 05:06 PM

DP

Deborah Poe lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Deborah Poe - February 21, 2023 at 04:55 PM

PF

Such a Godly woman. Always there with wonderful thought and deed.

Pamela Franklin - February 21, 2023 at 04:42 PM

DR

Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Diane Rainbolt - February 21, 2023 at 04:26 PM

SN

Sam Riley And Deb Newton lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Sam Riley and Deb Newton - February 21, 2023 at 03:55 PM

Jeannie McCall sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Jeannie McCall - February 21, 2023 at 03:36 PM

TR

Treca lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Treca - February 21, 2023 at 02:16 PM

TR

The kindest, most genuine lady to have walked the earth.

Treca - February 21, 2023 at 02:17 PM

JM

What a beautiful lady she was inside & out. Thoughts & prayers to your family, Jim. Love you, cousin

Jackie Sue Martin - February 24, 2023 at 07:51 AM

NB

Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of Darlene K. Stevens

Nancy Breeden - February 21, 2023 at 02:08 PM