



## Dixie Gibbons

September 9, 1930 - April 27, 2010

Dixie M. Gibbons, 79, of Kearney, died Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at Mt. Carmel Home Keens Memorial. Funeral services will be 10:30 AM, Friday April 30th at O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home in Kearney. The Rev. Dean Pofahl will officiate. Interment will be 1:00 PM in the Elm Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7pm, Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials will be established in her name. On-line condolences may be submitted to [osafh.com](http://osafh.com). O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. She was born in Little Sioux, IA on Sept. 9, 1930 to William and Shirley (Conyers) Swearingen. She grew up in Elm Creek and graduated from Elm High School in 1947. She received her BA degree in Business Education from Kearney State College in 1973. She was married to Max D. Gibbons in Benton, Ark in Sept. 1948. They later divorced. Earlier on in her career she owned a cafe in Oconto. In 1973, she moved to North Platte where she worked as a social worker for Region II for the State of NE Dept. of Social Services. She then moved to Grand Island in 1974 and worked for Region III also in social services. From 1975-78, she became regional field supervisor for CETA, State Dept of Labor in Grand Island. She later moved to Lincoln and became manager of Community Employers' Services Unit. She worked there until ill health caused her retirement. She was a member of the Kearney Eagles Club, VFW and American Legion Auxiliary. Her pastimes included bowling, shuffle board and dancing. Survivors include her son, William and wife, Mickey of Azle, TX, daughters, Vicki of Rio Rancho, NM and Kathy Sayer and husband, Larry of

Kearney. She is also survived by 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Warren and her ex-husband in 1994.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dixie Gibbons*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Dixie's passing. We were good friends for many years when I lived in Lincoln, Nebraska and worked for the Nebraska State Labor Department. We have not been in touch for many years, but she has often been in my thoughts through the years. She was a warm and wonderful person who I admired very much. I will miss her. Marcia*

**Marcia Steele** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Dixie's death. I am Jo Johnson's daughter and bowled with their team while I was in college. I always enjoyed bowling with Dixie...she made sure we always had a good time. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Jackie (Johnson) Eickhoff*

**Jackie (Johnson)Eickhoff** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM



“ *Sending you my love and condolences.*

**Sooky Sayer-Kuhn** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM



“ *Kathy, I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Love Joanie (Zimmerman) Mansfield*

**Joan (Zimmerman) Mansfield** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM

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“ So sorry to hear about Dixie. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I am sorry we can't make the funeral, can't get off work as we are in the middle of fertilizer season and working 10 to 12 hours a day. It was so nice of Dixie to keep in touch with mom, I know she enjoyed her Christmas letter each year and hearing about all of you.

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**George & Lisa Hendricksen** - August 21, 2013 at 06:00 AM