



Genon V. Kerby

December 23, 1931 - March 15, 2015

Genon Kerby, 83, of Kearney was called home to heaven on March 15th, 2015. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 20, 2015 at the Prince of Peace Catholic Church, located at 2407 W. 56th Street, with the Rev. Paul Colling officiating. Interment will follow at the Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home, at 4115 Avenue N, with a Vigil Service and Rosary beginning at 7:00 p.m. Memorials are suggested to the family to establish an education scholarship fund on Genon's behalf. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

She was born December 23rd, 1931 in Shelby, Nebraska to Tom and Vera (Boro) Micek. She grew up on the family farm north of Shelby and graduated from Shelby High School. On December 31st, 1951 she was united in marriage to Bob Kerby in Columbus, NE. Bob and Genon moved to their current acreage in Kearney in 1959. Genon taught school for 42 years and began her teaching career at the tender age of 16. She taught various grades in several country schools, with the majority of her teaching years spent in the Grand Island Public School system teaching 4th grade at Wasmer Elementary, retiring in 1992. She was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority and had 50 plus hours, over her Master's degree. She had an abundance of energy and a tremendous work ethic. Genon had a great love for music (mainly country) and played the guitar, piano, sang and yodeled.

She loved animals of all types and would watch the deer and wild turkeys from her front window, but she was especially fond of her cats. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and family. We're all going to miss... Great Grandma Gigi.

Genon is survived by her husband Bob of Kearney, daughter Lori (Chris) Watters of Bettendorf, Iowa, and son Clint of Kearney. Grandchildren Valerie (Marcus) Wolfe of Papillion, Nebraska, Nick (Lucia) Watters of Vicenza, Italy and Richard Watters of Rolla, Missouri. Great grandchildren, Aurora and Audra Wolfe and Adriana Watters. Sister, Sharon (Ray) Sock of Genoa, Nebraska and several, nephews, nieces, many former students, fellow teachers and numerous friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and a nephew. The Kerby Family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff and caregivers at Mount Carmel and the local Kearney Aseracare Team.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations
4115 Ave N
Kearney, NE 68847
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info@osrfh.com
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Vigil / Prayer Service

MAR 19. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 20. 10:30 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
2407 W. 56th Street
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Genon V. Kerby



O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations - March 18, 2015 at 07:22 PM



“ Genon V. Kerby

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ Jenith Hiatt lit a candle in memory of Genon V. Kerby



Jenith Hiatt - March 21, 2015 at 05:56 AM



“ I'll never forget when we would try to leave to a Rodeo, Genon always called us back to give us cookies or brownies. So we wouldn't be hungry. That's just the way she was.

Tom D Walahoski - March 19, 2015 at 10:47 PM

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“ *Sheila Schaffer-Higens lit a candle in memory of Genon V. Kerby*



Sheila Schaffer-Higens - March 18, 2015 at 04:05 PM

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My thoughts and prayers to her loving family. She was one in a million who always gave her all.

Sheila Schaffer-Higens - March 18, 2015 at 04:08 PM

LL

Mrs. Kerby was my fifth grade teacher in Miller, Nebraska back in the late 1950's. She was a wonderful teacher and I have thought of her often over the years.

Linda (Mowrey) Larchick - March 27, 2015 at 11:42 PM

ML

“ *Bob & Family-*

We are thinking of all of you with memories of a wonderful time together.

With Our Love

Mary Ellen Lantis, Cammy, Wendy, Leah and Travis

Mary Ellen Lantis - March 18, 2015 at 03:52 PM

JS

“ *Mrs. Kerby was my fourth grade teacher at Wasmer Elementary in the early '80s. I have very fond memories of being one of her many students. She has been thought of very often over the years. Mrs. Kerby will be missed.*
Jennifer Shafer-Ehlers, First Grade Teacher at Grand Island Public Schools



Jennifer Shafer-Ehlers - March 18, 2015 at 02:09 PM