



Deanna L. Ream

September 3, 1940 - January 23, 2024

Deanna L Ream, 83, of Saint Anne, passed away Tuesday, January 23rd at Miller Rehabilitation Center.

She was born September 3rd, 1940, in Kankakee, a daughter of Herbert and Edna (Beaupre) Reiniche.

Deanna married Arthur E Prairie on June 27, 1959, in Bradley. He preceded her in death on May 25, 2002. She was also preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Marjorie Elliott, and Claire Meadows.

Surviving is her husband, Vernon Ream, whom she married on January 5, 2008. She is also survived by one sister, Marsha Schultz of MO, three sons, Brad (Lisa) Prairie of Saint Anne, Brent (Heidi) Prairie of Saint Anne, Rick (Stacy) Prairie of Rosemount, MN, one daughter Tricia (Wayne) Mills of Saint Anne, 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Deanna attended Moody Bible Institute and was a faithful member of Open Bible Center for over 40 years. She was a founding member of Kankakee Trinity Academy and a librarian at Grace Baptist Academy. As a homemaker, family and faith were an integral part of her daily life. Worship and hymns were her solace. Capturing and preserving memories through photography, scrapbooking and painting saturated her time. She also enjoyed shopping, mission trips, Bible studies, assisting at church services/camps as a cook and counselor, attending sporting events of her children/grandchildren, crafting, sewing hats/scarves for the homeless. She more recently spent 12 winter seasons with Vern at Word of Life RV Park, listening to live gospel concerts,

attending twice-daily gospel services, or sitting around a bonfire, enjoying a fish fry with friends while listening to their stories.

A celebration of life will be from 9am (visitation) Saturday, February 17th, until the 11am service, both at Open Bible Center, 410 S Small Ave, Kankakee.

Rev Andrew Hansen will officiate.

Memorials may be made to Kankakee Trinity Academy or Open Bible Center.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Open Bible Center
410 S. Small Ave.
Kankakee, IL 60901
<http://www.openbiblecenter.org>

Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ My sincere sympathy to all of Deanna's family at this time of her passing. It was an honor to have served with her on the KTA Board in the 80's. May God grant you all an extra measure of His comfort and grace at this time and in the days to come. I had planned to attend, but covid had different plans.

Stephen Blanchette - February 17, 2024 at 11:19 AM

LO

“ Deanna was my church friend for years! I laughed and cried with her. In times of darkness she would always come up with a bible verse as the correct answer to the problem. I have beautiful memories over the years but one memory stood out. I was at a church picnic and I heard the Pastor was going to baptize people in the river. I shared with Deanna that if I had known I would have asked to be on the list because it would be awesome to be baptized in the river like Jesus was. Deanna instructed me to just go ask him if you can be on the list to be baptized. I remember walking up to Pastor Paul boldly and looking in his eyes seriously and saying Pastor Paul will you baptize me with the others today? He looked back intently and said yes, I will with a gentle smile. I felt blessed that day and it was a day I knew I would remember forever! It is no surprise Deanna went to be with Jesus on January 23 this is a beautiful reminder of Psalm 23 The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want. In Heaven she dwells in the house of the Lord forever! Prayers to the family and friends of Deanna Ream. One of God's Angels has come home!



Leila Owen - February 04, 2024 at 10:37 PM

DM

“ My name was Debbie stone .sorry for the loss of a great lady that took me in at the age of 4 .miss Brad,Brent,Ricky .I'm out here just so you know thank you to your husband that brought you to see me in ark .prayers .my name Debbie McCain now.

Debbie K McCain - February 03, 2024 at 10:23 AM



We are cleaning out some of mom's stuff this weekend and have a great picture to show you. Please email me at rickdprairie@gmail.com so I can send it to you.

Rick Prairie - February 10, 2024 at 03:20 PM

MH

“ Deanna was a faithful contributor in our writing class years ago. Her stories were always so interesting and her treats appreciated. We shared many of the same interests and especially our favorite colors. She fought a long, hard battle. May peace be hers at last.

Marsha Hill - February 01, 2024 at 01:59 PM

 Dan Pelletier

“ Chris and I are praying for your family as you grieve the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Praise the Lord, "Ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." (I Thessalonians 4:13-14)
Dan & Chris Pelletier

Dan Pelletier - January 31, 2024 at 03:19 PM



“ Deepest heartfelt sympathy....may the promises of eternal life bring peace

John Heil - January 29, 2024 at 08:14 PM



“ *Please accept our heartfelt sympathies for the passing of your loved one . We pray that you & your loved ones will feel God's comfort in your coming days of grief !*

Lois Adame - January 26, 2024 at 07:53 PM