



Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens

January 27, 1960 - June 13, 2022

Helen "Dee Dee" Marie Stephens, 62, of Havana, went home to be with the Lord on Monday June 13, 2022. She was born on January 27, 1960 in Galesburg, Illinois to David L. and Betty Jean (Crider) Pope.

Dee Dee was a registered nurse at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria, IL, before her retirement. She was a hard worker and an excellent homemaker and cook. She loved spending time with her children. She never met a stranger and would help anyone she could. She had a beautiful smile, a contagious laugh, and a heart of gold.

Dee Dee was a loving mother and proud of her 3 children who survive: Chad Wayne Stephens of Havana, Jeanne R. Stephens of Mt. Sterling and Tyler David Stephens of Peoria. She is also survived by her father and step mother, David and Judy Pope of Pekin, step father, Gordon Morris of Pekin, sisters, Lissa (Mike) Angus of San Diego, California, Tammy (Ron) Payne of Springfield; Rhonda (Mike) Howard of Pekin; step brothers Joerg (Karen) Pope of Sunnyville, California, Gordon Lee (Sherry) Morris of Pekin, step sisters, Debby (Dennis) Hoehn and Teri (Rich) Sebelist of Pekin, grandson, Clint Stephens of Havana, and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother; Betty Jean Morris, as well as her

maternal and paternal grandparents and several aunts and uncles.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a private family burial will follow at a later date. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, July 8, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the VFW in Havana.

Online condolences can be left for her family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 8. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

VFW Post #6408
415 W. Adams St.
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-9120

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Heartfelt thoughts go out to you in this time of sorrow. I have many fond memories of Dee Dee.*



Patti Specketer - June 20, 2022 at 08:13 AM



“ *Anna Richardson lit a candle in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens*



Anna Richardson - June 17, 2022 at 04:42 PM



“ *I remember her first day of school in Havana. Judith Campbell had brought her in to the gym but not on the floor during PE (lol) to introduce her to the class, she was my friend from that point on, and the troubles we got into. The last time we spoke, we hugged and kissed, and talked about reunion with Pam. I am at loss for words. My heart and soul pains and prays for her loved ones and families.*

jennifer trimpe - June 16, 2022 at 09:48 PM

LH

“ To say I am deeply saddened is an understatement. Dee Dee and I went through the LPN program together and through the RN program at Graham. After graduation, we road to work together on nights and shared our lives. She never failed to make me laugh. She was one of the most caring nurses that I have ever known. I will forever treasure her memory. My sincerest condolences to her family. She loved you all so very much. Sail on silver girl. Your time has come to fly. We will meet again somewhere, someday.

Linda Helle - June 16, 2022 at 09:05 PM

IW

“ I have fun memories of Dee dee. She was always laughing and smiling. GOD took a good one here. RIP DEE DEE



Illa wilkey - June 16, 2022 at 06:08 PM

RN

“ Rhonda Neeley lit a candle in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens



Rhonda Neeley - June 16, 2022 at 12:13 PM

CH

“ I am devastated and heartbroken to hear of my friend's passing. She and I go back to a very young age. I will always have many great memories of times together. She was a beautiful soul with an awesome smile and eyes that could melt your heart...a true gem. Treasured with love beyond all feeling...as she will be missed more than words can say. My heartfelt sympathy and condolences to all who grieve💔
Cathy Bryant Hazelwood

cathy bryant hazelwood - June 16, 2022 at 12:09 PM

RH

“ So sorry to hear about her passing she was such a loving caring person loved sitting and haven talks with her when she walked in she'd always brighten the room feel very close to all her family you're all in my thoughts and prayers love you all

Robin house - June 16, 2022 at 11:22 AM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 🙏



Dan and Chris Wilson - June 16, 2022 at 10:28 AM

MJ

“ Dave & Judy I am so sorry to hear about Dee Dee. She helped me out years ago and I'll never forget her kindness. May God Bless all of you. Love, Monica Roets Justus

Monica Roets Justus - June 16, 2022 at 08:30 AM

LH

“ Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens



Larry and Mary Hundt - June 16, 2022 at 07:47 AM

AH

“ Chad, Jeanne, and Tyler I'm so so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a good woman and I loved her dearly. We shared alot of laughs together and I'm sure going to miss her. Sending you all my love, hugs, and prayers. 🙏

Angie Hallmark - June 16, 2022 at 12:07 AM

NC

“ Fly high DeeDee. RIP



Nancy Leming Cohlmeier - June 15, 2022 at 10:52 PM

SV

“ Stephanie Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens



Stephanie Vaughn - June 15, 2022 at 10:01 PM

TU

“ I am saddened to hear of Dee Dee’s passing. May you remember her bright smile and her loving spirit. My condolences to all whose hearts are shattered. Rest Easy Dee Dee



Traci Unruh - June 15, 2022 at 07:56 PM

PZ

“ Pam Peterson Ziegler lit a candle in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens



Pam Peterson Ziegler - June 15, 2022 at 05:23 PM

LT

“ Just saw Dee Dee a couple weeks ago. We often teased about being in CVS at the same time. We had planned to go out for supper soon with Loni Sue Engledow, even exchanged phone numbers. I extremely sad to hear this. So, sorry for your family's loss!



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - June 15, 2022 at 05:16 PM

RL

“ My heart is shattered hearing the passing of my friend. She was a beautiful soul and beautiful inside and out. My thoughts and prayers are with you all and all of grandchildren and family... My sincere condolences...



Ruth Lippert - June 15, 2022 at 04:13 PM

CI

My deepest thoughts for the family play the children the grandchildren grandchildren she was a great lady lady you couldn't have asked for a better person at a person so :) always say Hi to ya she will be so missed

cindy - June 16, 2022 at 08:38 AM

LU

“ I was so sadden to hear about DeeDee. We had gotten together a few times in the last couple of months. She had the best smile & her laugh was contagious. She was so beautiful & I will miss her. 💔

Laura Unruh - June 15, 2022 at 03:50 PM

NE

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Dee Dee's family. She was always a good friend.



Nancy Elliott - June 15, 2022 at 02:20 PM

ML

“ I am so very sorry about Dee Dee. My sympathies to you all.

Melody Lynn - June 15, 2022 at 02:14 PM

ML

“ Melody Lynn lit a candle in memory of Helen "Dee Dee" Stephens



Melody Lynn - June 15, 2022 at 02:11 PM

PR

“ *Dave, Judy and family,
So sorry to hear of Dee Dee's passing. We are keeping you all in
thought & prayer.
Paul & Linda Robertson*

Paul and Linda Robertson - June 15, 2022 at 02:08 PM