



Jerry Allen Stephens

March 29, 1926 - November 2, 2015

Jerry Allen Stephens, 89, of Havana, passed away at Pekin Manor on November 2, 2015 at 6:03 p.m. He was born in Fulton County, IL, near Summum on March 29, 1926 to Ghlee and Dorothy (Stubblefield) Stephens. Jerry attended Havana schools until he joined the Navy during WWII. He was stationed in California where he served on a crash rescue boat. After serving two years, he was honorably discharged in June of 1946.

When Jerry came home he married Betty Seggelke on June 24, 1948 and lived and worked on the Stephens family turkey farm, East of Havana. Jerry and Betty became the proud parents of Mark (Lynn) of Canton, Dan (Kathy) of Canton, Paul (Jan) of Havana, Mary Beth of Beason and Tim of Rock Falls. They moved their family to Havana in 1963 when Jerry was employed at the C&IM Railroad Coal Docks. He worked there for 30 years and became a Master Mechanic.

Jerry and Betty had a busy, happy life centered around their children. Their fondest memories are the ones of camping, bonfires and searching for 4-leaf clovers. Family dinners at Quiver Beach were always enjoyed.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Betty, of 67 years, five children, 14 grandchildren: Jennifer of Williams Bay, WI, Tom (Katie) of Mt. Vernon, IA, Cheryl (Wayne) Krus of Canton, Adam of East Peoria, Karin (Jackie) Janssen of Peoria, John Leslie of Las Vegas, Jill (Jon) Bohnick of Land O Lakes, FL, Alex (Katie Dye) of Peoria, Andy of Land O Lakes, FL, Katie (Brian) Baker of Deer Creek, Stephanie (David) Duncan of Lincoln, Sarah of Bay Shore, NY, David of

Sterling, IL and John (Amanda) Mosier of LaFayette, IN, as well as 15 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are brother-in-law Bill (Carol) Seggelke of Virginia Beach, VA and sister-in-laws Mary Lou Stephens and Shirley Stephens of Havana. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Dudley and Edwin, daughter in law, Phyllis Stephens and son-in-law Jessie Mosier of Lincoln.

Visitation will be held at Hurley Funeral Home on Friday, November 6, 2015 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Rosary is scheduled for 4:30, prior to the visitation at the funeral home. A funeral mass will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2015. Burial will follow the services at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana. Fr. David Whiteside will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Military rites will be provided at the graveside by VFW Post #6408 and American Legion Post #138 of Havana.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Rosary

NOV 6. 4:30 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

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Funeral

NOV 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
545 S. Orange St
Havana, IL 62644

Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry Allen Stephens*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. I remember Mr. Stephens as a wonderful man.*



Linda Markee - November 06, 2015 at 09:31 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Jerry Stephens*



Beth Stephens - November 05, 2015 at 08:27 PM



“ *Alan, Abi, Carin, & Stefan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



Alan, Abi, Carin, & Stefan - November 05, 2015 at 03:55 PM

IS

“ *In His Love and for His Sake, Shirley, sister-in-law. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



In His Love and for His Sake, Shirley, sister-in-law. -
November 05, 2015 at 02:37 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



November 05, 2015 at 01:47 PM

SW

“ *Shelly Winters sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Allen Stephens*



Shelly Winters - November 05, 2015 at 11:05 AM

SW

Sending thoughts and prayers your way. God Bless

Shelly Winters - November 05, 2015 at 11:07 AM

CH

“ *So sorry for your loss everyone.*

Cyndi Hower - November 05, 2015 at 10:07 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



November 05, 2015 at 01:15 AM



“ *Earla K. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



Earla K. - November 05, 2015 at 12:15 AM



“ *Betty & family,
You are in our thoughts & prayers. We are blessed to have known Jerry. Love to you & your wonderful family.
Gary & Nancy Blakely*

Nancy Blakely - November 04, 2015 at 09:29 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



November 04, 2015 at 01:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry Allen Stephens.*



November 04, 2015 at 10:50 AM



“ *David Stephens lit a candle in memory of Jerry Allen Stephens*



David Stephens - November 04, 2015 at 10:01 AM



“ *Bill And MabelLou Brown lit a candle in memory of Jerry Allen Stephens*



Bill and MabelLou Brown - November 04, 2015 at 09:43 AM



“ *Betty & family:
So sorry to hear about Jerry's passing. You are in my thoughts at this difficult time.
Sharon Bale*



Sharon Bale - November 04, 2015 at 07:32 AM

TW

“ *Tammy Wollesen lit a candle in memory of Jerry Allen Stephens*



Tammy Wollesen - November 04, 2015 at 07:24 AM

NE

“ *Nancy Elliott lit a candle in memory of Jerry Allen Stephens*



Nancy Elliott - November 04, 2015 at 06:07 AM