



Diane L. Keller

February 2, 1943 - September 2, 2025

Diane L. Keller, 82, of Henry, passed away on Tuesday, September 2, 2025. Ever the force of nature, Diane lived a life full of remarkable stories, and some heartbreaks, to be sure. Born to John and Edith (Curl) McMillan in the winter of 1943, during great and treacherous times, she was raised during one of the greatest times in American history, a baby boomer.

She was raised by a loving family, now survived by her three siblings, Charles Michael, and Kathy. She was a graduate of The Academy of Our Lady in 1961 and an OSF St. Francis School of Nursing graduate in the class of 1964. She pursued a career in nursing, a path that the McMillans and Curls shared generationally. She spent her career in many nursing disciplines as an RN, then later in life, received her bachelor's and master's degrees from University of St. Francis in Joliet.

After the tragic death of her first husband, Donald Graham, she met George Sherman Keller and made a new family and marriage of 44 years until George's passing in late 2024. During those years, there were many great memories made of ski trips, spending time at the lake in Wisconsin, cookouts, and of course, making the kids do their homework and eat their broccoli. She had a creative flare for gardening, baking, various artworks, and loved dogs. Diane leaves behind three children, Kimberly, Michael, and Jennifer. She was grandmother to Michael Travis, Grace, Sarah, and Brett.

She was tough and smart, even sometimes tragic, but she will be dearly missed.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Services will be private. Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria is assisting the family. Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery & Mausoleum

7519 N. Allen Road
Peoria, IL