

Marilyn Conway

April 15, 1947 - April 21, 2024

Marilyn Conway, of Herrick, Illinois transitioned from this life to her eternal home with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 2:35 AM at her residence in Herrick, Illinois surrounded by her loved ones. A Celebration of Life will be held Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 11:00 AM at Catch The Fire Church, 640 County Highway 22, Cowden, Illinois with Pastor Konner Blackerby, Grandson of Marilyn, officiating. Graveside Services will be directly following and held at Antioch Cemetery in Herrick. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM, also at Catch The Fire Church. Memorials in honor of Marilyn may be made to Catch The Fire Church, Cowden, Illinois.

Marilyn was born April 15, 1947 in Effingham, Illinois to her parents, Edward and Margie McKenzie. Marilyn grew up in Herrick, Illinois graduating from Herrick High School in 1966. In 1966, she married her first husband who was later killed during the Vietnam War and from that union she had her first daughter, Sherri Dee. The next seven years Marilyn devoted her life to being a mother to Sherri and then on September 27, 1975, Marilyn married the love of her life, D.G. Conway, in Herrick, Illinois and from that union came her second daughter, Heather Fay.

Marilyn always lived an upstanding moral life, but in 1978, she attended a Bob Jones Crusade in Herrick, Illinois, where she surrendered her life to Jesus

Christ and was born again. On January 21, 1979, Marilyn was baptized along with her husband, D.G. at the First Christian Church in Herrick.

Marilyn was a perfect example of what a Biblical wife and mother should be. She devoted her life to the Lord. Her main purpose was making her house a home for her husband and children.

Her joy was found in her family and celebrating the holidays with her loved ones. Marilyn loved cooking big dinners for her family, traveling to Eminence, Missouri to spend time with her family and she also enjoyed family trips to Branson, Missouri.

Marilyn always loved working with kids and helping teach Sunday school. She would go out of her way to make each child feel loved and welcomed. In 1989, Marilyn and D.G. took in their twin grandsons, Dennis and Duston, and raised them as their own.

Marilyn was a devoted member of Catch The Fire Church in Cowden, Illinois.

Surviving is her Husband, D.G. Conway of Herrick, IL; Daughters: Sherri (Ray) Chamberlain of Herrick, IL and Heather (Kyle) Blackerby of Effingham, IL; Son: Dennis Wayde (Amber) Conway of Herrick, IL; Step-Children: Dennis Conway of Vandalia, IL and Rhonda Barker of Nokomis, IL; Grandchildren: Tyler Chamberlain, Ryan Chamberlain, Konner Blackerby, MacKenzie Blackerby, Denise Conway, Brandy Conway, Lindsey Conway, and Molly Ixtepan; 15 Great-Grandchildren; and one Great-Great Grandchild.

Preceding Marilyn in death are her Parents: Edward and Margie McKenzie; Brother: Dennis McKenzie; Mother-in-Law: Freeda Conway; Granddaughter: Melissa Keller; Grandson: Duston Conway; and two infant Great-Grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Antioch Cemetery

3250 N 1560 E
Bowling Green Township, Fayette, IL, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Catch The Fire Church
636 Co Hwy 22
Cowden, IL 62422
(217) 783-2731

Funeral Service

APR **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Catch The Fire Church
636 County Highway 22

Tribute Wall

JC

“ We were sorry to learn of Marilyn’s passing.
Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Jerry and Chris (Beck) Cothern



Jerry and Chris Cothern - April 26, 2024 at 09:20 AM

BS

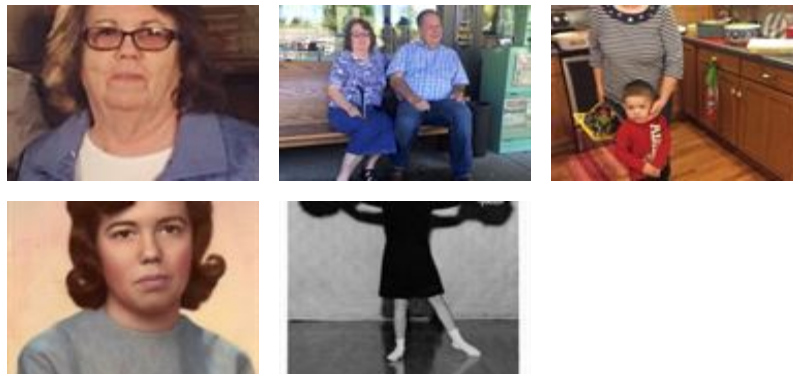
“ Butch And Beverly Smart lit a candle in
memory of Marilyn Conway



Butch and Beverly Smart - April 24, 2024 at 12:26 PM



“ 52 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Kennedy & Sons Funeral Directors, P.C. - April 24, 2024 at 09:18 AM

JM

Brandy and the family. We are sorry to hear of your loss, keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. May you find peace and comfort your grandma is now at peace with the Lord.

John and Roberta Merrifield - May 13, 2024 at 09:00 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



April 23, 2024 at 05:10 PM

KH

“ *Kloey & Leslie, Chris & Heather purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



Kloey & Leslie, Chris & Heather - April 23, 2024 at 11:41 AM

KH

“ *Kloey & Leslie, Chris & Heather planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marilyn Conway.*

Kloey & Leslie, Chris & Heather - April 23, 2024 at 11:41 AM

T6

“ *Trans PLT, A 6/34 purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



Trans PLT, A 6/34 - April 23, 2024 at 10:18 AM

JG

“ *Josie And Dona Galvin lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Conway*



Josie and Dona Galvin - April 23, 2024 at 12:34 AM

TF

“ *The Hubbard (Weatherford) Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



The Hubbard (Weatherford) Family - April 22, 2024 at 09:08 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



April 22, 2024 at 08:08 PM

PR

“ *Pam Rauch lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Conway*



Pam Rauch - April 22, 2024 at 05:03 PM

BC

“ *Bob & Sue Chamberlain lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Conway*



Bob & Sue Chamberlain - April 22, 2024 at 04:49 PM

GG

“ *Greg, Rita and Gena purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Marilyn Conway.*



Greg, Rita and Gena - April 22, 2024 at 03:36 PM