



Ora Lee M. O'Keefe

April 1, 1941 - January 5, 2024

Ora Lee Marie (LaMore) O'Keefe passed away, Friday, January 5, 2024 at her home.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, January 13, 2024 from 1pm to 4pm at Manteno's Sportsman's Club. Ora Lee's favorite color was green, the family asks that you please wear green in her honor.

Cremation Rites have been accorded.

She is survived by her children, Bradley (Hope) O'Keefe, Brian (Kayla) O'Keefe, Tari Hart, and Tonia (Louis) Morez; 9 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren; siblings, Joy (Jim) Boothe, Betty LaMore, Barb LaMore, Darrel (Patsy) LaMore, Rondy (Annette) LaMore, Mary (Sonny) Stevenson, and Verne (Lori) LaMore; many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. She loved each of them with all her heart.

OraLee is welcomed into heaven by her parents, Jerome LaMore, Bob and Orrel (Beutien) Lehnig; beloved aunt, Elsie LaSage; sister-in-law, Maureen O'Keefe; brothers, Jay LaMore, Lonnie LaMore, Mickey LaMore; as well as nephews, Darren Boothe and Aaron LaMore; and a son-in-law, Bob Hart.

In addition to being a homemaker, she worked as a dispatcher for the Manteno Fire Department and was an EMT. She was also a bus driver and

crossing guard for Manteno School District. OraLee held positions with LaMore Electric and Sun Chemical as well. She was an active member of the Manteno Sportsman's Club Auxiliary and was the Manteno Village Clerk.

OraLee was effortlessly compassionate, supportive, encouraging, and loving with just the right amount of sass, grit, and spice. She was a friend to every single person she met and a mother to many more than 4. She was greatly loved and will be missed by all.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Manteno Sportsman's Club Auxiliary or Uplifted Care.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Manteno Sportsman's Club
851 N Main St
Manteno, IL 60950

Tribute Wall

AS

“ *Alexia Sanders lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe*



Alexia Sanders - March 01, 2024 at 06:27 PM

JB

“ *JACQUE BROWN lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe*



JACQUE BROWN - January 13, 2024 at 05:30 PM

GR

“ *Gary Weber And Nancy Ruel lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe*



Gary Weber and Nancy Ruel - January 11, 2024 at 06:32 PM

L.

“ *L.GEORGEFF lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe*



L.GEORGEFF - January 11, 2024 at 01:41 PM



thoughts and prayers deepest condolences to family

L.GEORGEFF - January 11, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.*



January 11, 2024 at 09:16 AM



“ *Aqua Illinois planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.*

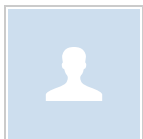
Aqua Illinois - January 11, 2024 at 09:16 AM



“ *Ora Lee always opened her house to all the friends of her children! She was a second mama to a lot of kids. May she RIP. You will be missed “Wilma”❤️*



Pam Johnson - January 10, 2024 at 08:47 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.*



January 10, 2024 at 01:24 PM

NW

“ *Nora Mehrer Walker lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe*



Nora Mehrer Walker - January 10, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.*



January 09, 2024 at 06:50 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.*



January 09, 2024 at 06:21 PM

CR

“ Ora Lee was a second mother to those of us who had the good fortune of growing up in the neighborhood. She was always warm and welcoming, and seemed glad--not bothered-- to have another kid in the house. On the night that my parents received a call that my grandparents in central IL had been in a deadly head-on collision caused by a drunk driver, they quickly packed the car and headed to the hospital. They left me (a middle-schooler) in charge of my two siblings. Upon first light my sister and I could no longer bear waiting alone so I called Ora Lee (whose number we knew by heart). She needed only to hear my voice and arrived at our door in a flash, still dressed in her nightclothes and furry slippers, and swept us into the sanctuary of her warm embrace. Suddenly, we felt like we would be ok. In this example--and so many others-- she made our world a better place, and I am certain heaven has welcomed her with open arms! Our deepest condolences go out to her family, along with our thanks for sharing their special mom with so many of us.

Cindi Reddish - January 09, 2024 at 02:21 PM

TA

Thank you for that warm memory.

tari.hart - January 09, 2024 at 03:13 PM

TM

Beautiful

Tonia Morez - January 09, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.



January 09, 2024 at 01:57 PM

BH

“ Bryan & Joelene Hays lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe



Bryan & Joelene Hays - January 09, 2024 at 11:38 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.



January 09, 2024 at 11:29 AM

DD

“ Dad and Donna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe.

Dad and Donna - January 09, 2024 at 11:29 AM

VH

“ Vickie Hammond lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O'Keefe



Vickie Hammond - January 09, 2024 at 09:19 AM

PC

“ Ora Lee was a second mom to me. I think I spent more time at the O’Keefe house during grade school than I did my own house. So many fond memories, but a constant smile and laugh is what I will always remember. Prayers to all who loved her 🙏❤️

Paula Curwick - January 09, 2024 at 08:56 AM

LK

“ We are very sorry for your loss. 🙏
Les & Kay



Les & Kay - January 09, 2024 at 08:26 AM

MH

“ MR MRS HOCHFELDER lit a candle in memory of Ora Lee M. O’Keefe



MR MRS HOCHFELDER - January 09, 2024 at 07:42 AM

LD

“ Ora Lee was very special person and a friend of many years. Working with her at LaMore Electric was always a fun and crazy time. We were the only women working with a bunch men but she definitely could hold her own-Lol She brought smiles to the faces of everyone she met and her compassion was a part of her that brought joy to so many. You will be missed my friend but we will always have the memories. Love you & say hi to Jack for me! Lisa Dugan & Family

Lisa Dugan - January 08, 2024 at 07:30 PM

RH

“ *Sending my condolences to the family.
Prayers.* ”



Renee Hoots - January 08, 2024 at 03:19 PM