



Dolly Kertes

March 18, 1938 - January 9, 2025

Dolly Kertes, 86, of Carrollton, Ohio, passed away Thursday evening, January 9, 2025 at the Carroll Healthcare Center.

Born on March 18, 1938, in Morehead, Kentucky, she was a daughter of the late Audrey and Lena Mae Stigall Clark.

During the 1960s, Dolly was a beloved figure in her community as the former owner and manager of the Virginia Restaurant and Hotel in Carrollton, where her warmth and hospitality left a lasting impression on patrons and friends alike. Her talents extended beyond the restaurant as she found great joy in cooking, baking, and crafting. Dolly's apple pie, in particular, became legendary among family and friends.

Dolly's greatest joy was her family. She is survived by her son, William (Diane) Kertes of Minerva; her two daughters, Sheila (Dave) Earley and Karen (Tom) Stevens, both of Carrollton; her four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and her brother, Roger Clark of Alliance.

She was preceded in death by her devoted husband, William Kertes, in 1999; her infant daughter, Debbie; her grandson, Jason Earley; and her sister, Katy Hatton.

Services to honor Dolly's life will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 11 a.m. at Dodds Funeral Home in Carrollton, officiated by Pastor Jarron Fry. Family and friends may pay their respects beginning at 10 a.m., prior to the service. Dolly will be laid to rest beside her beloved husband in New Harrisburg Cemetery.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Carroll Healthcare staff for taking such wonderful care of their mom and to Jim Moore from Ohio's Hospice for helping them get through this hard time.

Cemetery Details

New Harrisburg Cemetery

Waynesburg Road (State Route 171)
New Harrisburg, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CD

“ *Carrollton Family Dental purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Dolly Kertes.*



Carrollton Family Dental - January 12, 2025 at 05:23 PM

MT

“ *Shelia, my deepest sympathies in the loss of your Mother. May your wonderful memories of her live on in your heart forever & May God give you peace & strength during this difficult time. May her memory be eternal.*

Michelle Tedreau - January 12, 2025 at 04:36 PM

PD

“ *We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother, Dolly. We remember all of the beautiful craft items she made for the Algonquin festival and enjoyed seeing you all in the craft barn. Sincere prayers for the family. Bob and Pam Dye*

Pam Dye - January 12, 2025 at 03:58 PM

RC

“ *I love you sister Dolly and will miss you more than words can say*

Roger clark - January 11, 2025 at 10:24 AM

WO

*My heart is broken 💔 I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. We truly loved that little lady. So thankful we met her and became fast friends. Your craft shows will never be the same. May God Bless you all and get you through this difficult time. Love,
Wanda and John. WoJo's*

Wanda Overcashier - January 11, 2025 at 05:03 PM

MH

“ So sorry for your loss, Dolly was the most sweetest lady. I first met her at Roger's flea market she would always stop by my booth and would love all the dolls I have made and tell me about her daughter Karen sewing and the dolls her and Karen would make A few years later we all became awesome friends at the primitive shows .Such a wonderful lady she will be greatly missed .

Mary K Hinton - January 11, 2025 at 07:10 AM

VN

“ Please accept our sincere sympathy. The Nign families

Vickie Nign - January 11, 2025 at 12:21 AM

SV

“ So sorry for your family's loss

Stephanie VanMeter - January 10, 2025 at 11:41 PM

RP

“ Dear Macy & Family,
Extending our condolences for your loss...
In Prayer,
Richard & Ronda Pett

Ronda Pett - January 10, 2025 at 10:03 PM

LH

“ Dolly was a sweet lady. She hired me for my first job as waitress at the Virginia Restaurant. I remember her as being very kind and supportive.

Linda Herman - January 10, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“ Lavender Dreams was purchased for the family of Dolly Kertes.



January 10, 2025 at 09:08 PM

SC

“ Sheila Crum purchased the Plants-A-Plenty for the family of Dolly Kertes.



Sheila Crum - January 10, 2025 at 08:49 PM

SN

“ So sorry. She was a wonderful lady and a good friend to my mom

Sandy Debertrand Newbold - January 10, 2025 at 08:36 PM

SC

“ *She was the sweetest person I ever met, this just breaks my heart, I can remember when I was a kid I would always go to Virginia restaurant and meet my best friend and Dolly would always make us cocoa wheats such wonderful memories rest in peace Dolly you're with Bill now* ❤️❤️😭😭

Sheila Crum - January 10, 2025 at 08:13 PM

DL

“ *What a lovely lady, I will miss her. Love and hugs to family.* 🙏❤️

Diana Leslie - January 10, 2025 at 08:12 PM