



Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell

February 9, 1933 - July 17, 2023

Dateline: Tulsa, OK

Mary Geraldine "Gerry" (Hoefert) Mitchell, 90, formerly of Godfrey, Illinois, died at 2:15 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2023 at her home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Born on February 9, 1933 in Alton, she was the daughter of Harold and Clara (Taphorn) Hoefert. She married Dr. Michael F. Mitchell on December 31, 1955 in Alton. He preceded her in death on August 3, 1984.

Gerry graduated from Marquette High School in 1951, and received her BA in music from Maryville College in 1955. She briefly worked at Emerson Electric in St. Louis before her marriage. She was a talented soprano and pianist, who transferred her love of music to all of her children. In particular, she loved singing opera. She was also a voracious reader, and a sharp bridge player up until her death. She was a longtime member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey, where she sang with the choir. As a mother, she was committed to her children and their education, and encouraged them to seek their dreams.

Surviving are three daughters, Maura Wuellner (Augie) of Godfrey, Dr. Sheila Mitchell (Dr. Clair Morud) of Ashland, WI, and Marian Dreyer (Daniel) of Tulsa, OK; seven grandchildren, Leigh Hunt (Brandon) of Tulsa, OK, Mitch Wuellner (fiancé Molly McMillin) of Fairview Heights, Eric Morud of Reykjavik, Iceland, Sonya Morud of Philadelphia, PA, Dr. Matthew Dreyer (Dr. Genna Ille) of

Yonkers, NY, Andrew Dreyer of Tulsa, OK, and Stephen Dreyer of Tulsa, OK; one great grandson, Harrison Hunt, and a sister-in-law, Voni Hoefert of Godfrey. Along with her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Matthew and Michael Mitchell, two brothers and a sister-in-law, Harold and Sally Hoefert and John Hoefert.

A funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 24, 2023 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. Father Steven Janoski will officiate. Burial will be at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Marquette High School, and the American Heart Association. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Cemetery

Godfrey, IL 62035

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUL **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Ambrose Catholic Church
820 West Homer Adams Pkway
Godfrey, IL 62035

Tribute Wall

ML

“ Marcia L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.

Marcia L. - July 24, 2023 at 08:11 AM

SA

“ Gerry moved to Oklahoma, home to 39 Indian tribal nations. It was an honor to know her. My tribe doesn't have a word for goodbye; we say see you again. See you again Gerry...❤️

Sam Alexander - July 23, 2023 at 06:11 PM

DM

I always enjoyed talking to Gerry, we seemed to be on the same page..She was a lovely lady to talk to, and "Godspeed", Gerry.. you are in good hands 🙏

Dorothy Mallowney - July 24, 2023 at 09:49 AM

AP

“ From the Dondanville Family:
We all have fond memories of Gerry & her family. Gerry & Mike were such good friends with our mother & father, Joe & Lorelie. They, with the Hoefert family & our parents, were the social "gang" always having so much fun.
Gerry was a wonderful, beautiful person. We all have been thinking of her over the years.

Anne Dondanville Pauly - July 23, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



July 22, 2023 at 12:15 PM



“ *Enduring Grace* was purchased for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



July 22, 2023 at 11:40 AM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



July 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



July 21, 2023 at 01:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.

July 21, 2023 at 01:49 PM



“ AAA Tulsa HQ Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



AAA Tulsa HQ Family - July 21, 2023 at 11:05 AM



“ AAA Tulsa HQ Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.

AAA Tulsa HQ Family - July 21, 2023 at 11:05 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Geraldine "Gerry" Mitchell.



July 20, 2023 at 04:01 PM