



Rosa Lea Stevens

December 31, 1940 - January 6, 2020

Rosa Lea Stevens (Rose) died at home in Worthington, Ohio, on January 6, surrounded by her loving family. She was born on New Year's Eve, 1940, on a farm in New Guilford, Ohio, in Coshocton county. She grew up with her parents, Carl and Mary Mikesell. She is survived by her siblings Wirt, Les, and Terry Shannon. Rose graduated from Ohio State with a BA in Fine Arts and was a studio potter for thirty years. Then she became a garden designer. As she once said, she had a talent for "turning dirt into art." She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Joseph P. Sperry, and a lovely tribe of children: H. Craig Stevens, M.D. (m. Sharon Stevens), Lisa Stevens Rowan (m. Robert Rowan), Michael Benjamin Sperry and David Sperry Feldmann (m. Lisa Feldmann). And grandchildren: Harold Alexander Stevens, Joseph Sperry Feldmann, Ian Sperry Feldmann, Lila Sperry Feldmann, Kate Sperry, Jane Sperry, Mirina Joy Stevens and Austin Schmaltz. There will be no funeral service. In lieu of flowers, Rose would like friends to contribute to two organizations she supported: Worthington Resource Pantry, P.O. Box 27, Worthington, Ohio 43085, 614-985-1766 and Ohio Designer Craftsmen/Museum, 1665 W. 5th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212, 514-486-4402. Condolences may be made to the family at www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Rosa Lea Stevens*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Dear Joe, Craig, and Lisa,*

I was so sad to see the announcement of Rose's passing. She was a beautiful person inside and out, and I have a plethora of wonderful memories of my time spent with her. I send you much love in your time of grief and wish you comfort in these difficult days.

*Much love,
Jackie Hartzell*

Jackie Hartzell - January 16, 2020 at 09:39 PM



“ *The world has lost one of the best. Rose was a totally natural woman, never put on , just totally Good in every way.*

clare anderson - January 12, 2020 at 04:19 PM



“ *Sorry for your lost. Lynn & Carol Mikesell*

Lynn & Carol Mikesell - January 10, 2020 at 04:12 PM