



Kerry Onstott Storey

May 9, 1951 - February 18, 2025

Kerry Onstott Storey, 73, of Topeka, Kansas, passed away peacefully at Midland Care Hospice House in Topeka on February 18, 2025, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Kerry was born in Pratt, Kansas on May 9, 1951, to Howard Purcell Onstott and Betty Jane (Kerr) Onstott. She graduated from Pratt High School and Pratt Community College. She also took various courses at Fort Hays State University and Washburn University.

Most of Kerry's career was in state government for: the Kansas Insurance Department, the Kansas Attorney General, the Speaker of the House, the Governor's Office, and the Kansas Senate. Later, for many years, she worked at various part-time retail and merchandising jobs. She was employed at Watson RED, Inc. until she retired. Kerry served on the Board of Trustees for the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library for 16 years ending her final term April 30, 2021; she volunteered at Stormont Vail Health and served as their Auxiliary President.

In 2006, Kerry created the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team at Countryside United Methodist Church. She loved to read, walk, crochet, spend time with friends, drink wine, and watch KU basketball.

Kerry married her best friend, Bob W. Storey, on June 30, 1987, in San Francisco. She and Bob wintered for many years in Florida, which was a favorite destination. They also shared a great passion for dogs and always had two of them running their lives. Bob passed away on June 5, 2024.

Kerry is survived by her brother, John (Laurie) Onstott; niece, Ellie Onstott; and nephew, Will Onstott (Alana); daughter, Jennifer Storey Reumund (Mark); and son, Brad Storey (Laura); five grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren; and her two “four legged girls” Kelsie and Kenzie II.

In accordance with her wishes, Kerry was cremated. A Celebration of Kerry’s Life will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2025, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka, KS 66614.

A graveside service will be held later in Pratt where she will be interred with her late husband Bob Storey.

Memorials are suggested to the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library, Helping Hands Humane Society, Countryside United Methodist Church and Topeka Rescue Mission, sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

FEB **28**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
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Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kerry Onstott Storey



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - February 26, 2025 at 03:17 PM

LP

“ Liz Post lit a candle in memory of Kerry Onstott Storey



Liz Post - March 05, 2025 at 08:30 AM

JS

“ I met Kerry when I took care of her beautiful Mother. Kerry became a friend immediately and was so kind. God bless her family as they deal with such a loss, she was precious.

Jodi Slief - February 28, 2025 at 07:12 AM

BR

“ Bill Robbins lit a candle in memory of Kerry Onstott Storey



Bill Robbins - February 27, 2025 at 11:24 AM

JP

“ *Jana Petty lit a candle in memory of Kerry Onstott Storey*



Jana Petty - February 27, 2025 at 10:43 AM

KH

“ *Though I haven't been in touch with Kerry for a few years, I was sad to read of her death to cancer. After convincing me to serve as President-elect, she mentored me during her year as President of the Stormont-Vail Auxiliary. I admired her leadership not only as part of the auxiliary, but for her service on the library board. During the holidays, I still remember fondly the conversations we had when I stopped to visit with her at the Hickory Farms stall at the mall. Often we shared stories of caring for our mothers. Kerry was a contributor to our Topeka community and will be missed by many friends and her family.*
Kathy Harr

Kathy Harr - February 26, 2025 at 10:05 AM

CC

“ *Cameron Curry purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kerry Onstott Storey.*



Cameron Curry - February 24, 2025 at 04:57 PM

DW

“ Kerry was a former roommate and good friend to me back in the 1970's in Topeka when we both worked in the Kansas political scene. We shared many fun times together throughout the years until I moved to Arizona in 1999. My sympathies to her family. I know she will be missed by her many friends and family. May she rest peacefully next to her husband, Bob.

Debbie J. Elder Weimer - February 22, 2025 at 10:36 AM

VF

“ Kerry was a dear friend and neighbor. I always admired her for her strength and upbeat attitude, especially when she was dealing with her cancer treatments. I met Kerry back in the late 80's and really got to know her better when I was part of her Prayer Shawl Ministry Team at Countryside UMC. I have wonderful memories of times we shared knitting, shopping, going to the shows at the New Theatre in KC, eating out and taking walks. She will be greatly missed.
Vicki Francis

Vicki Francis - February 22, 2025 at 10:18 AM

BR

“ Kerry was a very capable and caring woman who was thoughtful and cared for the wellbeing of others. Of course, our conversations always had to include the antics of our furry friends.

Beverly Rice - February 22, 2025 at 05:26 AM

JM

“ Kerry was always a bright light that everyone looked forward to seeing. I am so sorry for your loss.

Jane Mackey - February 21, 2025 at 07:42 PM

JL

“ My dear friend, Kerry, fought her cancer with such perseverance, it is hard to let her go. I will always remember her strength and determination. She has gone too soon. I will always remember her.

Judy Linquist - February 21, 2025 at 07:33 PM

LP

“ When I first met Kerry at Countryside UMC where she sat two rows in front of me. I was drawn by her little red Mazda Miata convertible. At that time, I had a Mercury Capri convertible. Later, when I joined TSCPL Board of Trustees, Kerry was a mentor to me and my cheerleader when I followed her to chair of the Board several years later. We shared a love of our convertibles, our Brahmin bags, our dogs, our families and TSCPL. I could always count on Kerry for funny stories about her dogs and a recommendation for a good book. Thank you for your support through the years, Kerry. I will miss you. ~ Liz Post

Liz Post - February 21, 2025 at 01:06 PM

JK

“ Kerry and I were friends for over forty years! She was an awesome lady who I will miss very much!

Jeanie Kimball - February 21, 2025 at 10:20 AM