



## Donna "Jeneen" Reed

March 3, 1934 - March 16, 2025

<https://youtu.be/I8aLXPY5LYQ>

Please click on the link to watch the funeral service.

### D. Jeneen (Ewing) Reed

Donna Jeneen Reed (Ewing), age 91, of Richland Center, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 16, 2025, at Pine Valley Community Village. Born on March 3, 1934, in Richland Center, she was the beloved daughter of Vere and Grace (Lyman) Ewing.

Jeneen's life revolved around her God-given gift of music. From a young age, her extraordinary talent was evident as she mastered the marimba, saxophone, and piano. A unique aspect of her musicality was her ability to improvise and play by ear without relying on sheet music. Dance and performing also increased her skills, and during her high school years, she proudly served as a drum majorette, showcasing her leadership and passion for music.

After graduating from high school, Jeneen ventured to Washington, D.C., for work. In 1953, she returned home and married Robert (Bob) Reed. The couple spent time in Texas during Bob's military service, before moving back to Richland Center to start their family. They later relocated to Libertyville, Illinois.

Seeking to be closer to family, Bob and Jeneen eventually settled in rural Viola, where Bob purchased Viola Sausage, and later expanded the family business to become Bob's Market. Jeneen was instrumental in supporting the business, while dedicating herself to caring for their family and serving her community. She touched countless lives by playing the piano and organ for church services and creating music programs for vacation Bible school and various social events, including mother/daughter banquets. She led music groups such as the Quarter Notes and Happy Notes; graced weddings and funerals; even entertained at the Viola Pie & Ice Cream Social, where she taught herself to play the accordion just for that event.

Jeneen's generosity and creativity knew no bounds. She never missed an opportunity to share her musical gifts with those she loved, leaving a lasting legacy of joy in the hearts of all who knew her.

Jeneen is survived by her four children - Nancy Reed of Readstown, WI, Patsy Reed Perkins of Mesa, AZ, Robert (Candy) Reed of Canfield, Ohio, James (Rhonda) Reed of Holmen, WI; 12 grandchildren - Sarah Perkins of La Crosse, WI, McKenzi (Jonathan) Harrop of Queen Creek, AZ, Mitchel (Shenan) Faas of Saratoga Springs, Utah, Taylor, Brynn, Skyeler and Tadj Perkins all of Mesa, AZ, Brittaney (Shawn) Colonna of Pittsburgh, PA, Shannon (Alex) Littell of New York, NY, Robert (Kelsie) Reed of Huntington, WV, and Dawson and Caden Reed of Holmen, WI; 17 great-grandchildren and a new great-grandchild expected soon; 4 great-great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Shirley Ewing, nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Jeneen was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Reed and infant daughter, Mary Shannon; parents, Vere and Grace Ewing and brother, Bryce Ewing; as well as granddaughter, Morgan Faas and great-grandson, Michael Faas Miller.

There are no words that can express how grateful and blessed we are for the men and women at Pine Valley Community Village and Agrace Hospice Services. We appreciate all they did in keeping mom comfortable during her final years.

To honor Jeneen, a Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2025. Location: Clary Memorial Funeral Home, 26777 Jelland Drive, Richland Center, WI, 53581. Visitation 9 - 11 a.m. Funeral begins 11 a.m. Lunch will be provided after.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the First Baptist Church, where Jeneen was an active member. A recording of the service will be available following the ceremony on Jeneen's obituary page on the funeral home website.

Jeneen was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. Those who knew and loved her, take comfort knowing she is playing the piano in heaven, and the angels are singing. Life, love, and gifts go on. Jeneen will continue to let her light shine through music. Matthew 5:16

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# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAR 29. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Clary Memorial Funeral & Cremation Service, LLC  
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# Tribute Wall

DE

“ sorry to hear of your loss, she was a great volunteer at the Family Thrifty Shop Deb Niemeyer

deb - March 31, 2025 at 03:09 PM

HC

“ Our sympathy to Jeneen's family. She was a beautiful, talented classmate (RCHS Class of '52) that we'll always remember.

Harold & Pat Clark - March 28, 2025 at 05:11 PM

BT

“ Jeneen was a very special lady- so friendly, so bubbly, so pleasant to be around. When we first moved to this area, I was a member of the Fancy Creek 4-H Club. Jeneen played the piano for her friend and another special lady, Bonita Cupp, our music director, for the 4-H Music Festival. What a joy to be around! We remained friends over the years and I regret not spending more time with her. She was indeed precious and you were blessed to have her in your lives!

Bill Twining - March 28, 2025 at 07:50 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donna "Jeneen" Reed.



March 26, 2025 at 10:19 AM



“ 154 files added to the album LifeTributes



Clary Memorial Funeral Home - March 21, 2025 at 02:55 PM

NW

“ To Nancy, Patsy, Robby and Jim,  
The picture you used for your mom's obituary is perfect as it is how I remember her. Always with a smile on her face and upbeat. So involved in the Viola community, church and school. I admired her for her musical talents and loved listening to her play piano/organ at church on Sundays. Her and your dad were so nice to my sister Margie who had Down's syndrome and she helped out in "Bob's Market" one summer. Your mom touched a lot of lives and will be fondly remembered. Thinking of you at this time.  
Mark and Natalie Williams

Natalie (Sanford) Williams - March 21, 2025 at 02:33 PM



“ Meat & Cheese Wooden Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Donna "Jeneen" Reed.



March 21, 2025 at 01:14 PM

DM

“ Jeneen was a pillar of the community. Her talents and gifts enriched so many lives! Her beautiful smile and graceful ways will always be fondly remembered. Our condolences to the family. Heaven gained a wonderful lady...

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**Deb McCoy** - March 19, 2025 at 11:21 AM

SS

“ I remember Jeneen from her years in the RCHS band. I lived in Viola at that time but often our band participated in the same festivals. In later years we had an older mutual musician friend in Viola, Cora Wheeler. Jeneen's gift of music brought joy to so many people. My condolences to her family.

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**Shirley Steiner** - March 19, 2025 at 08:08 AM

TH

“ I had the extreme pleasure of knowing Janeen when I was employed at Schmitt Woodland Hills. What a beautiful faith filled woman! Our lives were certainly enriched b her very presence ! My deepest sympathy to all the Reeds!

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**Teresa Holbrook** - March 18, 2025 at 09:08 PM