



## Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne

November 3, 1953 - November 27, 2013

Teresa (Teri) Ann Gillen Coyne of Fort Collins, Colorado, died peacefully Wednesday evening, November 27th surrounded by family and friends at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, Colorado. She was 60 years old and a 6-year, stage-4, cancer survivor until only recently losing her second brave battle with the disease.

Teri was born Teresa Ann Gillen on November 3, 1953, in McCook, Nebraska, to Francis H. and M. Joan (Stewart) Gillen of McCook. Her father preceded her in death as did her paternal grandparents Frank and Marie Gillen of McCook and maternal grandparents, Roy and Hazel Stewart of Culbertson, Nebraska.

Teri is survived by James W. Coyne, her husband of 23 years, mother M. Joan Gillen of McCook and mother-in-law Helen Fagen Bush of Fort Collins, sister Janice (Jan) Gilbert and husband Michael (Mike) of McCook, brother Mark Gillen and wife Ann of Kearney, goddaughter Natalie (Gilbert) Marks and great-niece Erin Marks of McCook, nephews Zachary and Nathan Gillen of Kearney, sisters-in-law Karen and Lorraine of northern Colorado and many other aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and special friends.

Teri was most recently employed with Safeway of Fort Collins in the delicatessen and worked most of her life in food services where she perfected

and shared her culinary skills. She was an excellent cook and baker, learning her trade, as was her passion, from her paternal grandmother Marie Gillen and former restaurant business owners, her mother M. Joan Gillen and aunt Lorna Wagner Trupp. Teri loved to bake and share her special sticky buns and kraut burgers with her Safeway work family, and other family and friends.

Teri grew up as a young girl in her beloved Nebraska spending her summers on the Stewart family farm and with her immediate family at Lake McConaughy in Ogallala, Nebraska, fishing, boating, and swimming. Teri loved to water ski. She loved the outdoors, primarily in the spring, summer and autumn months when she could plant her garden, nurture and grow her fruits and vegetables, which she would harvest and then preserve as the ingredients for her delicious recipes. Teri was an advocate for rights, human and animal. She loved spending time with her animals outdoors, feeding and tending to their needs. At the time of her death she was planning to learn how to make candles.

A life remembrance memorial following cremation will be held at Goes Funeral Care, 3665 Canal Drive, #E, Fort Collins, Colorado, on Wednesday, December 4th, starting at noon. Please visit [www.goesfuneralcare.com](http://www.goesfuneralcare.com) and share special thoughts or prayers. The family requests that in remembrance of Teri during this special season of faith, hope and love that you remember to give generously to your favorite charity.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

DEC 4. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*

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October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *Hi dear sister,*

*You remain in my thoughts every day and ever so imbedded in my heart. I feel you near and it gives me some comfort until we see each other again.*

*All my love forever,  
Janie*

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**Jan Gilbert** - November 10, 2020 at 10:36 PM



“ *Happy birthday Teri. We all love you! It has almost been three years and our hearts are still broken.*

*Michael Gilbert*

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**Michael Gilbert** - November 03, 2016 at 11:23 AM

JG

“ *My dear sister,*

*Happy Birthday to you, happy birthday to you,  
happy birthday dear Teri, happy birthday to  
you.*



*I love you and miss you so very much my dear sister.*

*All my love,  
Janie*

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**Jan Gilbert** - November 03, 2014 at 07:02 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - May 11, 2014 at 10:33 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa  
"Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - May 11, 2014 at 10:31 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - March 13, 2014 at 08:21 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - March 13, 2014 at 08:18 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - February 04, 2014 at 08:10 AM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - January 01, 2014 at 06:47 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 25, 2013 at 09:08 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 25, 2013 at 09:06 PM

MG

“ *Merry Christmas beautiful lady, friend, and sister in law, our family loves you and are hearts are broken, but we know you are pain free.*  
*Mike*

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**michael gilbert** - December 25, 2013 at 05:40 AM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 18, 2013 at 07:35 PM

SS

“ Jan and Mike and Joann, my God when I read of Teri's death could not believe it. she has been in my deams for two wks.now. so sorry and sadened. we were best friends 30 yrs.ago. I loved her like a sister as we had so much in common. we loved our pets and our gardens and our unfailling friendship. we both had to move on in life 'however I always thought about Teri...thinking one day we would again find one another....and we will. i am so sorrowful for you and also selfishly for myself. a great soul has passed on. Suzy Foster Sailors

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**Suzy Foster Sailors** - December 16, 2013 at 09:25 PM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 14, 2013 at 12:43 PM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 10, 2013 at 05:39 AM

MG

“ *Michael Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Michael Gilbert** - December 09, 2013 at 04:54 PM

MG

*We will Never forget you Teri.*

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**Michael Gilbert** - December 09, 2013 at 04:55 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 09, 2013 at 05:38 AM

SR

“ Teri was a person whose single distinguishing characteristic was a love of life. She fought valiantly against the pain and indignity of the disease which finally claimed her life. I admire her for that invincible strength of will more than I can say. The last time i saw Teri, she was joyful because a procedure in her ongoing battle against the cancer had gone very well and Teri had great hope that she had finally beaten her foe. I am so grateful for that happy final memory as it comforts me in this time of sorrow. Teri treated animals with an unfailing loving tenderness. How someone treats those who are dependent upon them, such as children and animals, speaks to their intrinsic character, and Teri passed that particular test with flying colors, I know that James, Teri's mother, her family and friends will all miss her greatly. Yet, we can console ourselves with the knowledge that her spirit and purity of heart lingers within each one of us.



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**Susan Rumph** - December 08, 2013 at 10:51 PM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 07, 2013 at 06:28 PM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 06, 2013 at 02:31 PM

DM

“ *Dixie Kiel Martin lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Dixie Kiel Martin** - December 05, 2013 at 06:14 PM

MG

“ *Mike Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**mike gilbert** - December 05, 2013 at 12:26 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 05, 2013 at 09:57 AM

CC

“ *We extend our sympathies to Teri's family. We are saddened to hear of her passing and remembering with a smile the Teri that we knew many years ago. May God's blessings be with your family in this time of great loss.*  
*Charles Coleman, McCook, NE*



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**Charles Coleman** - December 04, 2013 at 09:45 PM

JM

“ *Such a special lady! My thoughts and prayers are with James and family!* ”

John H. Miller - December 04, 2013 at 05:43 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne* ”



Jan Gilbert - December 04, 2013 at 08:49 AM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne* ”



Jan Gilbert - December 04, 2013 at 08:47 AM



“ *6 files added to the album Memories Album* ”



Goes Funeral Care & Crematory - December 03, 2013 at 03:52 PM

KM

“ back in 1980 Teri and I worked at the new Toddys store in Ft.Collins. Shared news from our families back in McCook. Later we Moved to McCook where her father became a customer at my place. I remember Teri as a very hard worker, and liked by everyone. Francis was a very kind, nice guy to deal with. Both just top notch good people that bring back fond memories.

K. Harold Martin - December 03, 2013 at 01:05 PM

MG

“ Mike Gilbertt sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



Mike Gilbertt - December 03, 2013 at 10:43 AM

MG

“ Mike Gilbertt sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



Mike Gilbertt - December 03, 2013 at 10:42 AM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



Jan Gilbert - December 03, 2013 at 08:09 AM

LR

“ Condolences go out to James and Terri's family so sorry to hear you last the battle with cancer but knowing now you are free from pain and in the arms of the Lord will help give us peace you will be missed. Lorraine



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**Lorraine Rittgers** - December 02, 2013 at 08:25 PM

JG

“ For Teri, my courageous sister --- from my broken heart to yours.  
\_Jan Gilbert

*"What though the radiance which was once so bright  
Be now for ever taken from my sight,  
Though nothing can bring back the hour  
Of splendour in the grass, of glory in the flower;  
We will grieve not, rather find  
Strength in what remains behind..."*

*---William Wordsworth*

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**Jan Gilbert** - December 02, 2013 at 06:41 PM

GL

“ My condolences go out to Teri's family. Have many fond memories of Teri from high school.....she will certainly be missed, but never forgotten.

*Gary Loop*

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**Gary Loop** - December 02, 2013 at 01:46 PM

JG

“ *Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 02, 2013 at 10:54 AM

DL

“ *Terri you will be missed loved working with you at Toddy's . So sorry James for your loss.*



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**Donna Lloyd** - December 01, 2013 at 09:52 PM

HR

“ *So sorry for your loss Joan and family. I will always remember Teri as the beautiful young woman she was and her easy smile and great laugh. Rest in peace Teri!*



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**Heddy Reiners** - December 01, 2013 at 07:18 PM

NM

“ *Natalie Marks lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne*



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**Natalie Marks** - December 01, 2013 at 06:31 PM

EM

“ Erin Marks lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Erin Marks** - December 01, 2013 at 06:29 PM

BB

“ Teri -

*You were a friend like no other. Earthy and genuine. Your soft laughter and beautiful smile said it all -- and they will stay in our hearts.*

*May your journey bring you more of the light and joy that you brought others and that is truly who you are.*

*Bryant Brooks*

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**Bryant Brooks** - December 01, 2013 at 03:54 PM

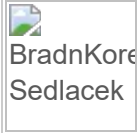
JG

“ Jan Gilbert sent a virtual gift in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Jan Gilbert** - December 01, 2013 at 10:37 AM



“ So sorry for your loss, we know through Natalie what a strong woman she was. What wonderful memories you will all have of her, especially Erin. God Bless, Brad, Korey, Colton, and Abby Sedlacek.

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**BradnKorey Sedlacek** - December 01, 2013 at 07:45 AM



“ Judy ( White) Anderson, Cousin lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Judy ( White) Anderson, cousin** - November 30, 2013 at 09:37 PM



“ Ann Budke lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



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**Ann Budke** - November 30, 2013 at 07:46 PM



“ I remember you, Teri..you were beautiful! Cancer is nothing I would wish on anyone, but you fought hard. Rest in peace, free from pain....judy (kuper) sweney

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**jksweney** - November 30, 2013 at 07:27 PM

DM

“ Teri was the kind of friend everyone wishes they had. I was so lucky that my wish came true.

Dixie Lee Martin - November 30, 2013 at 02:57 PM

MG

“ Teri I love you, and you will be missed

Mike Gilbert - November 30, 2013 at 01:46 PM

MG

“ Mike Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



Mike Gilbert - November 30, 2013 at 01:45 PM

JG

“ Jan Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Teresa "Teri" Ann Coyne



Jan Gilbert - November 30, 2013 at 01:41 PM

MG

“ I am Teri's brother in Law. I have known Teri for over 46 years Teri I will miss the twinkle in your eyes, you laugh, giggle and the long conversations we have had over the years. My condolences go out to James and the whole Coyne family as well as the whole Gillen family, for their recent loss of such a beautiful family member. Teri was the kind of person that knew no enemies, and everyone loved. The world needs more people like Teri Gillen Coyne it would be a much better place. Teri would find an abandoned animal and take it in protect and give it food and love. I remember many great holiday meals Teri made, she would slave in the kitchen cooking everything to perfection, they were very happy days.

*Peace beautiful lady*

*I will never forget you,we will meet again sometime in the future,  
probably catch a fish or two with you father Francis*

*I love you*

*Michael Gilbert*

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**Mike Gilbert** - November 30, 2013 at 11:52 AM