



## Geraldine Irwin

April 18, 1938 - March 25, 2019

Jeri Irwin was born Geraldine McGovern in Chicago, IL on April 18, 1938 to Juliette (nee Faynor) and John Patrick McGovern.

Jeri had one sister, Eleanor Patrick, now deceased. She is survived by Patrick Family members, all of the greater Chicago area, and other scattered family and friends.

Jeri and her husband Cliff Irwin, who died in 2009, were long-time Villagers who loved world-wide travel, books, music, and were active in and supportive of the Opera Club, The Central Florida Lyric Opera, the Philharmonic Orchestra, and the University of Florida, which received many of their collections. Jeri also supported many charities and institutions.

Jeri worked 20 plus years for Leo Burnett Company, Inc. (an Advertising Agency). When they merged and went international, Jeri became the first International Services Coordinator establishing communication systems at various levels among their first 25 offices and the home office in Chicago.

There will be no services in The Villages. A donation to the ZoZo Kids of the Ocala Forest in Jeri's name would be very much appreciated.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Geri and Cliff planned many bus trips for Villager to attend the Operas in Orlando. My Mom, Wanda and I were part of that wonderful experience. We appreciated all the planning Geri provided for a successful event. Thank you Geri for adding extra cultural experiences for opera lovers. God Bless you.  
Joy Kirchens from the Villages of Polo Ridge.

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**Joy Kirchens** - April 03, 2019 at 11:30 PM

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“ Jeri was in my life for 40 years, longer than anyone other than family. To know Jeri was to love her, as she was, because, well... Jeri was Jeri. If you knew her, then you know what I mean. She will always have a special place in my heart, and I know she will rest in peace because she has joined her beloved Cliff. Ciao bella

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**Rene Snow** - April 02, 2019 at 07:23 PM