

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at Gerald's visitation and funeral mass.



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IN LOVING
Memory



*Gerald Joseph Downey
November 29, 1939 - October 20, 2019*

AN EPITAPH FOR A FARMER

*I speak of the farmer, whose days are no more,
Which today at dawn, was the last day he walked out the door.
As I talk of the farmer, I talk of the land
I talk of the crops he harvested by hand
I talk of the cattle that he watched while they grazed
I talk of the long hours which turned into days.
His eyes are tired, his hands were sore,
His face was unshaven, his clothes were poor.
He fell while walking out to the fields to do his chores,
And when he fell, he got up no more.
As sure as nights turn into days,
His soul will go to Heaven, and that's where it will stay.*

Written by Shavonne, age 12

IN LOVING MEMORY

Gerald Joseph Downey

BORN

*November 29, 1939
Dublin, Ireland*

PASSED AWAY

*October 20, 2019
Springfield, Missouri*

FUNERAL MASS

*10:00 am, Thursday
October 24, 2019*

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church
Springfield, Missouri*

CELEBRANT

Msgr. Thomas Reidy

MUSIC

*Gay Ellis - Pianist
Andrew Curtis - Cantor*

PALLBEARERS

*Gerald Downey Jerry Jezik
Bob Franks Mark Sears
Kenny Commons Steve Pekarek*

FINAL RESTING PLACE

*Resurrection Cemetery
Springfield, Missouri*