



## Myrtle June Pleckham

June 5, 1925 - February 12, 2020

This past Wednesday, February 12, 2020, the world lost one of its brightest lights, our mom. Our mom was one of the most generous, unselfish, hardworking, sweetest and genuine people you would be blessed to know. Mom's devotion to her family was unparalleled. It is hard to sum up in a few paragraphs just how much Mom graciously lived life in spite of various hardships, her thrifty hardworking nature and deep love for her family.

The beginning of her 94-year journey began in Rock, Wisconsin with humble, rural beginnings, depression era and many harsh challenges. Her mother, Calla, Father, Arthur, Brothers Orville and Norbert, Sister, Arlene: all preceded her in death. She is also preceded in death by one son-in-law, Terry Happ; one daughter-in-law, Judy Pleckham; and two grandsons, Steven Ray Pleckham and infant Brian Pleckham.

She met her handsome husband, Thomas, married and began their life together in Marshfield, Wisconsin June 18, 1946. Their marriage/partnership was built on courage, devotion, loyalty and most of all love. As our family grew to 8 children, they always shared and worked together to provide for us all. Mom overflowed with love and continued to be unconditionally devoted to her growing family.

We remember the number of meals prepared, the baking, the canning, the gardens, the master seamstress she was, her artistic and creative talent, 4-H projects, help with homework, her endless amounts of laundry and ironing, packing lunches, nursing sick and hurt children, helping in the fields and barn when they were on the farm, manicured yard and flower beds, spotless house... the list is endless and we will always remember, appreciate and be grateful for what mom did.

As we got older, dated, and dealt with broken hearts, losses, crisis after crisis, mom and dad, of course were always there. No matter what.

When dad became ill, mom was there fighting with him every step of the way and never giving up hope that he would pull through. But sadly, he passed away May 3, 2005.

Mom missed dad and continued valiantly. As her vision became severely impaired, she became a resident at Riverside Assisted Living in Kankakee. The staff was very kind and they acknowledged that mom was a genuine sweetheart. We are grateful to the Staff that treated our Sweet mom with dignity, sincerity, respect and compassion.

Up until her last breath, mom lived her life with unending, unwavering and unselfish love. She showed us what a spouse, parent, grandparent and friend should be like, and we are forever grateful that we were blessed to call her mom. For all the white hairs, stress and maybe a few curse words we caused you, we love you mom and will miss you each and every day.

Myrtle June Pleckham departed this earth on Wednesday, February 12, 2020. A viewing will take place 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday, February 16, 2020 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Manteno.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Monday, February 17, 2020 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manteno.

Burial will follow at Peotone Cemetery in Peotone.

She is survived by her sister-in-law, Midge Eckes of Marshfield, Wisconsin, many nieces and nephews. Her eight children, Ginger Happ, Chuck Pleckham (Donna), Karon Wylie (Dick), Rick Pleckham (Cindy), Gerry Pleckham, Charlene Nutter (Jim), Linda Eason (Randy), Scott Pleckham (Mary), 22 grandchildren 34 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Please sign her guestbook at [www.clancygernon.com](http://www.clancygernon.com)

# Cemetery

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# Events

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## Peotone Cemetery

Peotone, IL, 60468

**FEB** **Visitation** 02:00PM - 06:00PM

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Manteno - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
291 N. Main St., Manteno, IL, US, 60950

**FEB** **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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St. Joseph Church  
207 S. Main St., Manteno, IL, US, 60950

# Comments

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“ To All Of Myrtle's Family,

My sister Nola and I send our deepest sympathies to all of you. I just read her obituary and am so sorry we missed her visitation as we are both in Florida. Myrtle was such a great friend to our mom Rita while they were both at Butterfield Assisted Living. She probably told most of you when I would come to visit mom, I would usually have lunch with her and Myrtle. It was fun listening as those two would commiserate about the goings on there. They were both quite opinionated to say the least !!

I thank Myrtle for being my moms friend.

Gary Rabideau

Gary Rabideau - February 18 at 01:46 PM

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“ Dear Pleckham families, we're so sorry about the loss of your precious mom/grandma. Love & prayers, Renee & Roger Salzman

Salzman - February 17 at 10:53 AM

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“ Lynnore Pleckham Husum lit a candle in memory of Myrtle June Pleckham



Lynnore Pleckham Husum - February 16 at 09:33 AM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Ted and Heather Bryan.

Heather Bryan - February 15 at 11:20 PM

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“ Wendy Sandlin lit a candle in memory of Myrtle June Pleckham



Wendy Sandlin - February 15 at 07:56 AM

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“ 99 files added to the album LifeTributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - February 14 at 02:33 PM

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“ MR MRS lit a candle in memory of Myrtle June Pleckham



MR MRS - February 14 at 09:54 AM