



Ambrose Benoit

May 7, 1919 - June 12, 2008

Ambrose Benoit, 89, of Bradley, died Thursday (June 12, 2008) at his home, following a sudden illness. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley, where he was a member. The Rev. John Antczak will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family wishes. Mr. Benoit had worked at Quaker Oats, formerly General Foods Corp., retiring after 37 years of service. He was born May 7, 1919, in Bourbonnais, the son of Leo and Loretta Betourne Benoit. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II with the 29th Infantry in the D-Day Invasion in France, where he was wounded. He received the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Kankakee VFW Post 2857, the Bradley American Legion Post 0766, the Vintage Squadron, and the Holy Name Society at his church. He enjoyed golfing, bowling, and playing cards. He was a Chicago Cubs and Bears fan. Surviving are his wife, the former Genevieve Boucher, whom he married June 24, 1950, at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais; three sons and one daughter-in-law, James and Darlene Benoit of Austin, Texas, Robert Benoit of Long Beach, Calif., Gary Benoit of Bradley; two daughters and sons-in-law, Diana and Jerry Turner of Fayetteville, N.C., Denise and Michael Pagani of Roseville, Calif.; 20 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; one sister, Geraldine Legris of Kankakee; and one brother and two sisters-in-law, Charles "Eddie" and Patsy Benoit, and Bibiane Benoit, all of

Bradley.Deceased are two brothers, Lionel and Adrian; and one sister, Margaret Pawlawski.

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“ Season’s Friend

My old friend Fall dropped by today ?
Came knocking at my door early morning ?
At first I was startled ?
Thought maybe Winter had come early
But then as I opened the door
the brightly colored leaves came blowing in ?
He whooshed through the door ? ? Just Me! ?
A little cool today, but just me . . .”

I invited him in to chat but I wandered ?
Couldn’t help thinking of where Summer had gone ?
Or as far as that goes, the child called Spring ?
Seemed just an hour or so ago it had been raining ?
Washing the coldness of winter overstay to the depths ?
Cardinals and finches had chattered about my bushes
and I had just watched the first tulip’s head poke through ?
Fall is beautiful tho ? painted leaves and little whirly-winds . . .
I turned back to the conversation of ours
and found that Fall had grown old while chatting ?
Hoar frost covered his once colorful mane
and his hands were trembling with a deep chill ?
I hurried off to fetch the brandy and upon return he was gone ?
And there whistling under the door came tiny white flakes
that grew tall as the sun shrank through the crossed panes ?
I finished the brandy and opened the door to welcome Winter
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And so it is my old friends - the seasons of Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. It has been a long time since the Benoit family was 'my other family'. I never got a chance to get to know i½Ambrose very well but this much I remember and know - Ambrose had a close loving, caring, Christian family - a fine hardworking and loving wife and his children all were kind and loving and had big hearts. May the Good Lord be with you in your time of sadness and may nothing but the best of memories of your father be with you on those days of reflection. I remember the love this family shared for each other and I'm sure that love and closeness will be a comfort to you in the days to come. My sincere and deepest sympathy and all my best to all of you - Bill.
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“ Ambrose was a good and true friend to my dad, Ralph "Doc" Kay. Those guys worked hard, played hard, helped others hard, supported families and lived life fully. Ginny and all the kids, it was my pleasure to have known Ambrose. May he Rest in Peace...##imported-begin##Michael Kay##imported-end##

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“ I enjoyed working beside Benny at GF/Quaker over the years. i ½ My thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Arlen Dutour##imported-end##

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