



Arlene Dams

February 5, 1936 - May 10, 2017

Arlene Dams, 81, of Kankakee, formerly of Chebanse, passed away on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at Citadel Nursing Home in Kankakee. She was born on February 5, 1936 in Watseka, the daughter of Lawrence and Agnes (Lauterbach) Hofer. Arlene married Vernon Leo Dams on April 15, 1955 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Watseka. He preceded her in death on December 14, 2010.

Arlene's uplifting and inspirational personality made her loved by many. She could make a friend out of a stranger. Her favorite day was her birthday and she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her two sons Glen (Marsha) Dams of Sharon, TN and Gregory (Barbara) Dams of Kankakee; two sisters and one brother Carol (Ronald) Hoekstra of St. Anne, Dr. Rev. Paul (Lois) Hofer of Aurora, CO and Paulette (Bill) Hartley of Eddyville, IL; four grandchildren Captain Nathaniel (Anna Ko) Dams of North Korea, Nicole (Dwayne Costello) Dams of Georgetown, TX, Dana (Raymond) Zarate of Aroma Park and Kyle Dams of Bradley; and four great-grandchildren Noah Dams, Raymond Zarate Jr, Ava Zarate and Anthony "Tony" Zarate.

Along with her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and one daughter Barbara Dams.

Visitation will be held on Monday, May 15, 2017 from 9am until the 11am service at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley. Pastor Patty Heath will officiate the service. Procession to Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery,

Elwood, will leave the church at 1pm, following lunch. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. The family would like to express thanks to Citadel Nursing Home for their loving care.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
975 W. Brookmont Blvd.
Bradley, IL 60915
(815) 932-1848

Funeral Service

MAY 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Bradley, IL 60915
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Graveside Service

MAY 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery
20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

BB

“ *Betty Bowers lit a candle in memory of Arlene Dams*



Betty Bowers - May 13, 2017 at 06:55 PM

RH

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Rhonda - May 13, 2017 at 04:05 PM

 Kurt
LaShure

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Kurt LaShure - May 11, 2017 at 09:01 PM