



## Arnold C. Berens

December 26, 1930 - October 22, 2018

Arnold C. Berens, age 87, of Chebanse passed away Monday, October 22, 2018 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. He was born December 26, 1930 in Chicago, the son of Ferdinand & Anna (Kampwirth) Berens. Arnold married Elvira Panozzo in November 1958 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Arnold was the plant manager at Fibre Drum Company in Kankakee for 50 years but worked there even longer. He started working there in maintenance when he was in high school. Arnold also farmed 60 acres for many years as a hobby. He was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus. Arnold enjoyed socializing with anyone and everyone. He enjoyed walking his dog Charlie, who was his constant companion for the last 10 years.

Arnold was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in Germany on a construction crew.

Surviving is one son and daughter-in-law, Mark & Heidi Berens of St. Anne; two daughters and two sons-in-law, Lori & Kevin Kennedy of Joliet and Lynn & Brian Ruhbeck of Beecher; eight grandchildren, Sarah Kennedy, Jenna Kennedy, Andrew Berens, Samantha Berens, Nicole Moats, Allison Lindstrom, Heather Orlick, and Maegan Orlick; four great-grandchildren, Savannah, Weston, Adaliene, and Phoenix; one sister, Ann Ruder of Herscher; and one brother, Joe Berens of Piper City. Arnold is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Leo Berens and Walt Berens; and one sister, Mary Settles.

Visitation will be held from 2- 6 p.m. Sunday, October 28, 2018 at Clancy-

Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, October 29, 2018 at St. John Paul II- West Campus (formerly St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church) in Kankakee. Rev. John Horan will officiate the service. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children Research Hospital or for masses.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **28**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home  
1480 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Funeral Mass

OCT **29**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Paul II - West Campus  
953 South 9th Avenue  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Tribute Wall

RC

“ Arnold would deliver drums to Reichert Spice in Ashkum. We would make a point to grill out the days we knew he was delivering. What a great man with a kind soul. I just received word of his passing today. Deepest sympathy to his family. Reichert Spice Company

Reichert Spice Company - November 14, 2018 at 02:08 PM

LB

“ Our condolences to the family.

Tom & Linda Boisvert

LINDA BOISVERT - October 28, 2018 at 01:00 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Arnold C. Berens.



October 27, 2018 at 12:05 PM



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - October 26, 2018 at 03:17 PM

SB

“ *I love you grandpa!! Will never forget your amazing work ethic and your love for Charlie. Praying for your peace*



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**Samantha Berens** - October 25, 2018 at 06:41 PM

MC

“ *Prayers to the family*

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**Margaret Roberts Chaney** - October 25, 2018 at 05:58 AM



“ Arnold was definitely a talker! He loved a good conversation always telling me how things have changed with the world. I very much enjoyed him, his humor, his love of family and country. And then there is Charlie. Charlie was Arnold's best friend, heartfelt companion. He loved him very deeply! I will miss him and our talks. My deepest sympathy to all of Arnold's family... Especially his son Mark and Mark's family.

*Stephanie Nolan*

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**Stephanie Wingerter-Nolan** - October 24, 2018 at 01:39 PM

DP

“ Such sad news, and wishing that I was in Illinois. Arnold and I worked together for over 40 years and it was almost like having a brother near. My condolences to all of his family members, I do feel your pain.

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**Dorothy Prince** - October 24, 2018 at 11:20 AM