



Barbara J. Benoit

November 22, 1930 - October 31, 2014

Barbara Benoit, 83, of Bourbonnais, passed away October 31, 2014 at Riverside Hospital Emergency Room.

Barbara was born in Bourbonnais, the daughter of Victor and Claire Fraser on November 22, 1930. She married Donald G. Benoit on July 1, 1950. She is preceded in death by Donald who died in 2011. Barbara is survived by her nine children, Julie Austin of Mokena, Claudette Hemenover (Donald) of Clifton, Denise Prault (Mickie) of Bloomington, Mark Benoit (Debra) of Kankakee, Mary Azzarelli (James) of Tampa, FL, Andrew Benoit of Bourbonnais, Marcia Wheeler of Bloomington, Jennifer Senesac (Randall) of Bourbonnais, and Joseph Benoit (Paula) of Chebanse, She is also survived by her 21 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Barbara is also survived by her sisters-in-law, Betty Benoit, Eloise Martin, Theresa Ciaccio, and Joann McGinnis.

Barbara was a homemaker and with Donald farmed in Kankakee and Bourbonnais. Her life centered around her children, husband, farming and faith. She loved being a "mom" more than anything, devoting her life to raising and caring for her children. Barbara loved to travel, volunteer, attend movies/plays and play cards with her friends. As an active parishioner at St. Teresa Church, she served as a sacristan. She was also a member of the University of Illinois Home Extension Association, Hospice of Kankakee Valley

Volunteer, Riverside Hospital Auxiliary, active supporter of the 4-H clubs, and Friend of the Kankakee County Fair. She will be missed by many whose lives she touched.

Visitation will be held 4-8:00 Monday, November 3, 2014 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral mass will be celebrated 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at St. Teresa Catholic Church in Kankakee. Rev. Sunny Castillo will celebrate the mass. Burial will follow at Maternity B.V.M. Cemetery, Bourbonnais.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Teresa Catholic Church; 361 St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901 or Comunita Cenacolo America; 1050 Tallyrand Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32206.

Cemetery Details

Maternity Cemetery

Corner of Canterbury Lane & William Latham
Dr.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

NOV 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Teresa Catholic Church
333 St. Joseph Avenue
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-7683

Tribute Wall

MW

“ I recall sitting by Mom at St. Rose of Lima church. She ingrained all of my faith in God at a very young age...

Marcia Wheeler - November 07, 2014 at 02:34 PM

MW

“ Pres. Kennedy was assassinated on Mom's birthday back in 1963. I was watching TV and the shocking news, and Mom was crying in the kitchen...

Marcia Wheeler - November 07, 2014 at 02:32 PM

SP

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Sue Palmateer - November 04, 2014 at 07:00 PM

SP

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Susan Palmateer - November 04, 2014 at 06:47 PM

BG

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Benoit family...you are all in our thoughts and prayers...treasure those precious memories of Mom!
With love~
The Goldtrap Family

Becki Goldtrap - November 04, 2014 at 06:44 PM

AF

“ *Deepest Sympathy goes out to Julie, Claudette, Denise, Mark, Mary, Andy, Marsha, Jenny and Joe and their families. Mrs. Benoit was a wonder human being - her love of life and family was obvious. She made everyone feel like family. She will truly be missed. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Live the Memories!*

Ann Papineau Fleming - November 04, 2014 at 05:08 PM

CL

“ *Benoit Family,*

Our deepest sympathies to Mark, Andy and all of the family on the passing of your Mother.

Chris and Lynn Lichtenberger



Chris and Lynn Lichtenberger - November 04, 2014 at 11:36 AM

BG

“ *Benoit Family,*

I am so saddened to hear about the passing of your mother. Barbara was such a warm-hearted, sincere woman and will be deeply missed by us all. We are praying for your family during this difficult time.

The Grinstead Family

Babe Grinstead - November 03, 2014 at 08:08 PM

JB

“ mark and andy: i wish you all the peace in the loss of your mother. i know how it is to loose your mom. if you want to talk, just give me a call.

*i'll be having a mass for your mom at maternity.
sent with my sympathy. jerry boudreau*

jerry boudreau - November 03, 2014 at 05:30 PM

JM

“ Our deepest symphthay on the passing of your Mom. Our prayers will be with you.

John and Cora Marth

John & Cora Marth - November 03, 2014 at 05:11 PM



“ *Benoit Family,*

My deepest sympathies to Mark, Andy and the rest of the family at the passing of your Mother.

Mark Baker

Mark Baker - November 03, 2014 at 01:12 PM

TG

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



The Benoit Grandchildren - November 03, 2014 at 11:54 AM

EY

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Benoit clan. As a child, and then a teen, and then a young adult, there was no place that was more fun to be than your home and no one more welcoming and lovely than your Mother. She was funny, graceful and extremely kind -- qualities that we all admire and should be emulated by more of us. Again, I am so sorry for you all and regret that I will not be with you over the next few days. Take care of yourselves and take comfort in the time you have had together.

Ed Yohnka

Edwin C. Yohnka - November 03, 2014 at 08:10 AM

LB

“ I am one more niece who can attest to the fact that Aunt Barbara was a very kind, loving aunt and a great hostess for the many Benoit picnics I so fondly remember from my childhood. My condolences to all of you. -LuAnn Benoit Boggess

LuAnn Boggess - November 02, 2014 at 11:24 PM

LH

“ Todd and I are in FL for a week and Mary called me yesterday to tell me about your mom. Oh man, I just feel so badly for all of you. I loved your mom. I'll never forget that time in the ladies restroom at the Atlanta airport when I heard a woman at the sink trying to get a stain out. I thought I'd offer her my Tidestick and it was so funny when she turned around and looked at me and I looked at her and I said, "AUNT BARB!!!" We both just laughed. I mean, really, what are the odds of that happening??

She was an incredible woman who lived a FULL life. I know how much you all will miss her. Todd and I send our love and sympathy. If we weren't in Florida, we would be there for the services. Love you all, Laurie

laurie haynes - November 02, 2014 at 10:14 PM

MO

“ To: Mary & Jim and all your family,

So sorry to learn of your Mom's death, Mary. It is tough losing your Mom but we know we will see them again.

*Pat joins me in sending our condolences and deepest sympathy,
Madelyn Smith O'Brien*

madelyn obrien - November 02, 2014 at 04:10 PM

 Amy
Ciaccio-
Jarvis

“ Aunt Barbara was a very special aunt who let my sister and I come out to the farm when we were kids for overnights and experience farm life even tho she had her own NINE kids! What a great time we would have gathering the eggs and riding the horses. (Hope uncle Donald forgives Susan for trimming the horses tail.) Us city cousins learned alot about family and what a great family her and uncle Donald have. We will all be re-united again is what the Bible teaches so hang on for another great family reunion! Lots of prayers to the entire family to get you through this tough time. Amy Jo Ciaccio-Jarvis

Amy Ciaccio-Jarvis - November 02, 2014 at 03:48 PM

DW

“ Barb was absolutely one of the great ones and she will be missed by all who knew her. Our deepest condolences and prayers go out to her wonderful family left behind.
Dianne and Mike Williams



Dianne Williams - November 02, 2014 at 02:25 PM

KB

“ Wonderful and beautiful lady. So sorry for your loss. Love and prayers. Wayne and Kathy Berger

kathy Berger - November 02, 2014 at 05:52 AM

SL

“ I loved running into Barb! She always had a smile and loved talking about her grandkids. She will forever be missed and like Don will always be a part of my heart! You all have our deepest sympathies!

Stacey Lanoue - November 01, 2014 at 10:56 PM

JP

“ Your mom was such a loving person. She always made me feel like one of the family any time I was over there. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family
Sincerely Janet Papinesu-Labeau

Janet Papineau-Labeau - November 01, 2014 at 08:16 PM