



Barbara J. Etzel

May 21, 1938 - July 13, 2017

Barbara Blain Etzel, age 79, of Bradley died suddenly from a short illness on Thursday, July 13, 2017. She married Richard Etzel on June 15, 1957 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee. He preceded her in death on June 20, 2009.

Barbara worked at Kankakee Community College.

Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Timothy & Patricia Etzel of Spring Hill, Florida and Thomas & Kimberly Etzel of Ashkum; one daughter and son-in-law, Tammy & Kelly McLaren of Bradley; 13 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and two sisters and one brother-in-law, Lois Sanor of Bourbonnais and Jackie & Bob Forgue of Kankakee. In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Oren Blain; and two sisters, Marian Gravlin and Margaret Weaver.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the 11 a.m. service on Monday, July 17, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Deacon Pat Skelly will officiate. Inurnment will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Tom Mallaney lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Etzel*



Tom Mallaney - July 17, 2017 at 12:38 PM

AG

“ *Barb was always one of my favorite people (Dick as well). Whenever I saw her she always made me laugh. She will be missed*

Angie Grube - July 17, 2017 at 12:14 PM

GK

“ *Deepest sympathies to Barbara's family. She and I were in high school together.*

glendal kilbride - July 17, 2017 at 10:31 AM

KC

“ *Aunt Barbara was a beautiful lady inside and out. Rest In Peace. Love to Tim, Tammy and Tommy and all the grandkids who she loved much! Mark & Sandy and Karen.*

Karen Cross - July 16, 2017 at 01:52 PM

MM

“ *The Etzel family will always be a part of my memories of growing up on Forest St. Mr. & Mrs. Etzel were always nice to all the neighborhood kids. My condolences to Tim, Tammy & Tommy from the Chalifoux family. We hope all of you are well.*

Michelle Chalifoux Meier - July 16, 2017 at 08:49 AM



“ *The first day I met Barb she asked if she could hold onto me while we walked. Of course I said yes and the two of us walked arm and arm together through a field. I've told Nathan from day one "I love your Gradma!" She is the nicest and sweetest Person in the world. Wish I could have known her longer. My condolences and love go out to her family.*

Andrea Wheeler - July 15, 2017 at 08:22 PM