



Catherine Drolet

November 6, 1909 - February 19, 2007

Catherine Drolet -- Kankakee Visitation for Catherine M. Drolet, 97, of Kankakee, will be from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will follow at 11 a.m. at St. Teresa Catholic Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. She died Monday (Feb. 19, 2007) at the Miller Center. Miss Drolet was a retired secretary from General Foods. She was born Nov. 6, 1909, in Kankakee, the daughter of Amadie and Leonie Mombteau Drolet. She enjoyed traveling. Surviving are several great-nieces and great-nephews; several great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews; and several great-great-great-nieces and great-great-great-nephews. Deceased are one brother, Harry Drolet; and three sisters, Flossie Henkel, Clara Schatzle, and Corrine Schosser.

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“ Catherine will be missed. She was such a good friend to my grandmother, Bernice Strahl. Even after Bernice died she remained a friend of the family through the past 20+ years. It was always fun to go to dinner for her birthday or get a note from her in the mail. She was a truly good and special person.

Our condolences to Catherine's family.##imported-begin##Michelle McCabe##imported-end##

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“ Catherine, Mrs. Drolet, and Little Mamselle the Poodle were such a delight to our three little girls when we lived next door on lovely old Maple Street in Kankakee. They will live on in our memories.##imported-begin##Charles Simmons Family##imported-end##

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“ To Catherine's Family,

I had the distinct honor to meet your Aunt Catherine during my three-week stay at Miller Health Care last Fall. While I was there for physical therapy just temporarily, we were assigned to the same table in the dining room each day and ate all three meals together.

What an absolute joy it was to be able to sit and listen to all your aunt's stories about her experiences living in Kankakee for 96 years! Her memory was phenominal--much better than mine and I only had to remember 60 years!

Eleanor Jaffee was also at our table and it was so much fun to be able to entertain them and bring laughter to our table. We were the noisiest table, to be sure, but only in a good way. We looked forward to seeing each other and worried when there was an empty chair at the table.

I make old fashioned greeting cards and gave Catherine several. She was so gracious and told me that one of her sisters owned a card company for years. She also told me how she lived with her mother until her death and how close they were. But best of all were the stories about all the Kankakee families she knew.

Had I known she was so ill, I would have made an effort to see her or at least have sent another card or made a call. You have my deepest sympathy for your loss. Catherine was a lovely person.

Sincerely,

Mona Bukowski###imported-begin##Mona Bukowski###imported-end##

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“ Oh my goodness, I cannot believe that Catherine was 97 years old. I have known her for over thirty of those years, she was a patient in a professional office where I worked. We always had a lively visit and I enjoyed her so. Then one day when I stopped at Heritage to see my mother, she was sitting out front waiting for a ride and we renewed our visits while she was a resident there. Last winter I stopped to see her at Miller when visiting with an aunt there and again we had such a nice visit. Always thought of her as a very classy lady and so pleasant. She shared a table with my mother at Heritage and was so kind to her. I missed her when she moved and was glad to be able to visit her one more time. She truly was "one of the good old girls"!##imported-begin##Leah Vercellono##imported-end##

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