



Celeste Johnson

February 17, 1924 - May 9, 2007

Celeste Johnson -- Kankakee Visitation for Celeste M. Johnson, 83, of Kankakee, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, where she was a lifelong member. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. She died Wednesday (May 9, 2007) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. Johnson cooked and cleaned for the priests at St. Rose. She was born Feb. 17, 1924, in Kankakee, the daughter of William and Alice Lambert Genshaw. Her husband, Donald L. Johnson, whom she married Aug. 8, 1942, died July 2, 1987. She was a 1942 graduate of St. Joseph Seminary, where she was valedictorian. She was an associate of the Congregation of Notre Dame. She was a member of the Moose in Bradley, TOPS, and the Kankakee Sportsman's Club. She enjoyed crossword puzzles. Surviving are five sons and five daughters-in-law, Donald "Corky" and Donna Johnson of Manteno, Kenneth and Barb Johnson of Kankakee, Brian and Carla Johnson of Manteno, Tim and Mary Johnson of Oswego, Gene Johnson of Kankakee, Mary Johnson of Bradley; one daughter and son-in-law, Kathie and Bill Poole of Kankakee; 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Phyllis and Pat Dupuis of Kankakee, Dolores and Fred Eckhardt of Florida; and one sister-in-law, Virginia Genshaw of Clinton. Deceased are one son, David L. Johnson; and one brother, William Donald Genshaw.

Tribute Wall



“ We will both miss you very much. Our prayers go out to all of our family members at this time of loss.##imported-begin##Sarah & Rachel Windmiller##imported-end##

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“ We know how much you will miss your Mom and pray that you will remember that she lives on in you, Corky, and your brothers and sister. i½Our prayers are with you and Donna and your family. i½Love and prayers, Patti Jean & Butch##imported-begin##Butch & Pat Prince##imported-end##

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"There are things that we don't want to happen but have to accept, things we don't want to know but have to learn, and people we can't live without but have to let go." author unknown

God Bless you and your family and this time. Know that you are thought of and we pray that you will call on your faith to get you through. Karla##imported-begin##Karla & Mike Kanoski##imported-end##

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“ My love and heartfelt sympathies reach to you at this time of sorrow, yet rejoice as your mother meets her maker in Heaven above. May God be with you and hold you close to him as you mourn her loss her on earth.##imported-begin##Betty Chapman##imported-end##

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“ You are all in my heartfelt thoughts and prayers. I know you will carry your Mom's spirit in your hearts always.

Love & hugs,

Barb###imported-begin###Barb Johnston###imported-end##

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“ Kathie, Bill and Family,

Please know you have our sympathy on the passing of your dear Mother. She was a wonderful Lady to say the least and I know you loved her very much. When a loved one is lost and the present becomes empty remember that memories are forever. i¿½Nothing can take away the meaning they have brought to your lives or the love you have shared. i¿½These memories are yours to cherish. Again, expressing the sincerest sympathy to you and your family in your sorrow.

Love and prayers.

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