



## Christean J. "Cricket" Nelson

December 22, 1942 - September 25, 2019

Christean J. "Cricket" Nelson, age 76, of Bradley passed away on Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at her home. She was born December 22, 1942 in St. Louis, MO, the daughter of Earl & Mary Cleo (Slinkard) Aslinger. Christean married Alverne Nelson on June 13, 1964 in St. Louis, MO. Christean retired as a registered nurse from the Pediatric Department at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. Christean was a pianist. She enjoyed gardening, canning vegetables and knitting for the family. She loved spending time and taking care of her family.

Christean was a member for the College Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving are her husband, Alverne Nelson; one son and daughter-in-law, Eric & Susan Nelson of Slidell, LA; one daughter and son-in-law, Joan & Daniel Pontarelli of Dekalb; five grandchildren, Nathaniel Nelson, Benjamin Nelson, Lydia Nelson, Alexandria Pontarelli, and Joseph Pontarelli; two brothers and two sisters-in-law, Hubert & Susan Aslinger of O'Fallon, MO and Ronald & Sally Aslinger of Denton, TX; one sister-in-law, Lucille Nelson; and many nieces and nephews. Christean is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Carrol Nelson.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 10 a.m. on Monday, September 30, 2019 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Rev. Marlin Ludwig will officiate the service. Burial will follow at Mound Grove Gardens in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

The Nelson family would like to thank Hospice of Kankakee Valley for the exceptional care provided.

# Cemetery Details

## Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 933-6726

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

SEP 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Christean always had a smile and kind word ready for those she met. Her smile and kindness of spirit live on in her children and grandchildren. She will be remembered fondly by those who knew her.*



Melissa Folowell-Vargas - September 30, 2019 at 11:49 AM

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“ *Chris & I started at the same time & went through orientation together at Riverside. We shared the same love of working with children. Fly on Easel's Wings, Chris! Prayers to your family!*



*Mary Ann Talone*

Mary Ann Talone - September 27, 2019 at 02:15 PM

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“ *Ruby Pontarelli sent a virtual gift in memory of Christean J. "Cricket" Nelson*



Ruby Pontarelli - September 27, 2019 at 10:38 AM

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*Thanks to Christine for the inspiration she gave to many...a ray of sunshine on cloudy days.*

Ruby Pontarelli - September 27, 2019 at 10:48 AM

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“ *Hubert & Susan Aslinger sent a virtual gift in memory of Christean J. "Cricket" Nelson*



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**Hubert & Susan Aslinger** - September 27, 2019 at 06:15 AM

 Joan Pontarelli

“ *Joan Pontarelli sent a virtual gift in memory of Christean J. "Cricket" Nelson*



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**Joan Pontarelli** - September 26, 2019 at 10:39 PM