



Clara Carstens

March 31, 1923 - May 16, 2005

Visitation for Clara B. Carstens, 82, of Bradley, will be from 4-8 p.m. today at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday. Bishop James E. Richards Sr. will officiate. Entombment will be in Mound Grove Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or the American Cancer Society. Mrs. Carstens died Monday (May 16, 2005) at her daughter's home. She was born March 31, 1923 in Lincoln, N.C., the daughter of Morris and Maude Canipe Abernathy. Her husband, Harold Carstens, whom she married in June 1945 at Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee, died March 12, 2000. She and her husband ran the Village Inn Restaurant in Bradley. She also worked at Kresge's, Montgomery Ward, Sears, Shoppers Fair and at the Schmaltz Five and Dime Variety Store. She was very active in politics, and was a member of the Moose Lodge and the Bradley VFW Auxiliary. She was of the Mormon faith. She enjoyed bowling and playing bingo. Surviving are three sons and daughters-in-law, Harold Jr. and Patricia Carstens of California, Thomas and Sheila Carstens of Bourbonnais, Michael and Cathy Carstens of Kankakee; four daughters and two sons-in-law, Sylvia and Ronald Nickles, Patricia and Roger LaMore, and Lorraine Carstens, all of Bourbonnais, Phyllis Lewis of Awatucki, Ariz.; 18 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. Four sisters; one brother; and one granddaughter, Shawn "Bridget" Lambert, are deceased.

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“ Anna and i hope the best luck to you guys. Sorry couldn't be there,goir

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“ Phyllis, Darin & family,

I'm so sorry to hear the loss of your
 mother (grandmother). Phyllis always talked about her and how
 much she wished she lived closer! My prayers and thoughts go out
 to you all! Love, Dana

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