



Donelda Goodrich

April 4, 1932 - February 21, 2013

Donelda (Nelda) Sneigowski Goodrich (80) surrounded by her family, joined her husband and other family and friends in heaven on Feb. 21, 2013. Her life will be celebrated Monday evening (Feb. 25) at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. All are welcome to join the family between 5-8 p.m.

Nelda was born in Bradley, on April 4, 1932, to Margaret (nee Engelke) and Joseph Sneigowski. She and her siblings grew up in the Kankakee area where she graduated from Kankakee High School. Nelda married James (Jimmie) Goodrich on April 17, 1955. He preceded her in death Aug. 11, 2003.

Nelda and Jim were the owners of Goodrich Auto for over forty years. She was also a long time customer service representative in the insurance field, retiring from Mest, Wiser, Warmbir Insurance. Nelda was an active member of St. John United Church of Christ.

Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were her greatest delight. They have treasured memories of spending "sick" days with Grandma watching The Price is Right. Nelda enjoyed NASCAR and was a devoted Dale Earnhardt Sr. fan. She was admired by her family for being "Clever and Witty" and will be remembered by all for her great sense of humor. Nelda loved animals and supported New Beginnings Cat Shelter. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be

made to New Beginnings Cat Shelter (www.newbeginningscatshelter.org).

Nelda is survived by her three children: James (Suanne), Barbara and Carol (Jeffrey Brooks); five grandchildren: Nicole (Daniel Freyman) and Michael Goodrich (Felicia Daverin), Renee (Michael Hensley) and Jesse Brooks (Diane Austin), Joscelyn Chapman (Kevin) and five great-grandchildren: Mikey, Justen, Lily, Katelyn and Braiden; many nieces and nephews and their families; and best friend since childhood, Audrey Weil.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, three brothers and two sisters, Donald Mitchell, Jimmy and Kenneth Sneigowski, Lillian Hopper and Lorraine Redman.

As Nelda would say: "Talk to you later...."

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
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Kankakee, IL 60901
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Jeff Johnson lit a candle in memory of Donelda Goodrich*



Jeff Johnson - February 25, 2013 at 10:35 PM

JJ

“ *Carol,
I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mother. I never had the chance to meet her but as soon as I saw the name and the picture in the paper, I didn't have to look any further for names of family members to know that was your Mom. You deffinatly got her joyous smile!! If there's anything you need please let me know. May God be with you and your entire family during this difficult time.
Jeff Johnson*

Jeff Johnson - February 25, 2013 at 09:16 PM

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“ *Carol & Barb So sorry to hear about your mom. She was always a very nice lady. You are in my prayers.
Ruthann Pinnow*

Ruthann Pinnow - February 24, 2013 at 05:13 PM