



Dorene A. O'Connor

March 18, 1924 - December 3, 2020

Dorene A. O'Connor, age 96, of Herscher passed away Thursday, December 3, 2020 at Harvest View Senior Living in Herscher. She was born March 18, 1924 in Kankakee, the daughter of Frank & Faye (Ferris) Ader. Dorene married Russell O'Connor on June 4, 1943 at St. James Catholic Church in Irwin. He preceded her in death on January 17, 1979.

Dorene helped her husband with the operation of the family farm. She had also worked at the Bear Brand Hosiery Company. Dorene enjoyed traveling. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Dorene was a longtime parishioner of St. James Catholic Church in Irwin and a member of the St. Margaret Mary CCW in Herscher.

Surviving are two sons and two daughters-in-law, Dennis & Sue Ann O'Connor of Herscher and Glen & Marcia O'Connor of Bloomington; two daughters, Diane Castongue of Ocala, FL and Susan Kuntz of Kankakee; ten grandchildren; nineteen great-grandchildren; and one sister-in-law, Marion McKenna of Herscher. In addition to her husband, Russell O'Connor, Dorene is preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Joseph Ader and Gene Ader; one sister, Frances Elliot; and one son-in-law, Gary Castongue.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the 11 a.m. funeral Mass on Friday, December 18, 2020 at St. James The Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, face masks and social distancing will be required. Burial will follow at St. James Cemetery in Irwin.

Memorials may be made to Harvest View Senior Living or Uplifted Care.

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery in Irwin

Irwin, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
Irwin Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-5443

Funeral Mass

DEC 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin
4372 Main St.
Irwin, IL 60901

Tribute Wall

LL

“ We want to send sympathy to the O'Connor family on the passing of Dorene. God bless her. We are praying for her and her family.

Lawrence Lane - December 19, 2020 at 09:12 AM

RS

“ My condolences to all of Dorene's family near and far. I so enjoyed her company, her wit, and her bright smile. She will truly be missed.

Rita Sanchez - December 18, 2020 at 08:55 PM

DO

“ My deepest sympathy to my relatives on the loss of your mom and grandmother. Even though she lived a long life, her passing still leaves a big hole in your heart. Normally, at an occasion like this I would make it a point to express my condolences to each and every family member, but with the pandemic, I'm afraid that won't be possible. You will be in my prayers.

Doris O'Connor - December 17, 2020 at 03:07 PM

CS

“ We are thinking of you with sympathy and pray for comfort and peace for you and your family. Steve and Cas Schmidt

Cassandra Schmidt - December 14, 2020 at 09:56 PM

MM

“ *MR MRS lit a candle in memory of Dorene A. O'Connor*



MR MRS - December 06, 2020 at 12:40 PM