



Duane A. Bertrand

December 3, 1919 - October 14, 2011

Duane A. Bertrand, 91, of Bourbonnais, died Friday (Oct. 14, 2011) at Provena Heritage Village, Kankakee. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Monday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais, where he was a member. Father Richard Pighini will officiate. Burial will be in Maternity BVM Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. Mr. Bertrand retired from Meadowview Shopping Center. He had also worked at Orkin Inc. He was born Dec. 3, 1919, the son of Walter and Blanche LeSage Bertrand. His wife, the former Mary Louise Kyrouac, whom he married June 7, 1941, died March 18, 2011. He was a member of the Kankakee County Board for 28 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Kankakee Valley Car Club and an honorary member of the Bourbonnais Historical Society. He liked woodworking and rebuilding antique cars. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Lisa Bertrand, of Bradley; three daughters and one son-in-law, Regina "Jean" Carroll, of Bourbonnais, Nancy and James Prince, and Chris Vaughn, all of Bradley; 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Anna Marie Wheeler, of Kankakee. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son-in-law, David Carroll; one great-grandson, Michael Kinstner; one brother, Albert Bertrand; twin sisters; and one brother-in-law, Gilbert Wheeler.

Cemetery Details

Maternity Cemetery

Corner of Canterbury Lane & William Latham
Dr.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **16**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

OCT **17**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall

VE

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family! Ray & Vickie Edwards*



Vickie Edwards - October 20, 2011 at 06:16 PM

JG

“ *Dear Bertrand Family*

I have had the pleasure of knowing your Dad, Duane (and your mom Mary) for many years, having met them as a parishioner at Maternity BVM and then as residents at Provena Heritage Village. Mary and Duane were always so happy and a joy to be around. I enjoyed getting them involved with our recent Intergenerational mural. Mary had a lot of input in the planning stages of the mural. When Mary passed, Duane enjoyed watching their beautiful wedding photo come to life as it was painted on the mural. He also enjoyed helping us figure out the tractor portion of the mural, Even though he was unable to make the unveiling of the mural at our gallery reception. I am happy that Duane did indeed get to see the final results of all of the months of work that the two of them were such a big part of. I will miss your Dad (and Mom) very much- but it is a comfort to know that we have them with us in memory with the mural.

My prayers are with your family-

Jan Glazar, Director, Gretchen Charlton Art Gallery

Jan Glazar - October 17, 2011 at 06:09 PM

CD

“ *Dear Bertrand Family: My sympathy goes out to you and your family members as we remember all the fond and loving memories of Duane. I had numerous conversations with Duane. There was always a twinkle in Duane's eyes whenever he talked about his dear wife Mary and his family. After I would leave visiting with Duane he would ask me if I would come back to see him at another time. I always assured Duane that I would return to visit on another day. The mural, that Duane and Mary have their wedding photo on,, will be on display at Heritage Village for awhile and then onto other places in Kankakee. What a treasure that will be to all who will "feast their eyes" upon this masterpiece. Many blessings of comfort and healing to Duane's family...*

Sincerely, Chaplain Carole R. DiZeo Director of Pastoral Care

Chaplain Carole R. DiZeo - October 17, 2011 at 12:40 PM

SG

“ *Chris,*

We are very sorry for your loss. Please know you and your family are in our prayers.

Ron and Lou Goodall

Sue Glenzinski

Sue Glenzinski - October 17, 2011 at 10:59 AM

SP

“ Randy & Family,

My deepest symapathies on your Dads passing. My prayers are with you.

*With Christ's love,
Sue Paris*



Susan Paris - October 17, 2011 at 08:03 AM

WM

“ Duane was such a special person to both my husband and myself. Bill was linked to Duane through the "old cars" and myself he looked so much like my own dad, that it was so easy to feel emotionally attached to him. Bill made several trips with Duane and Jerry Charter to Carlisle, PA for the "car thing", and they always had a great time. Me, I just enjoyed visiting with Duane and Mary out in the yard watching traffic and squirrels gathering the fallen walnuts. We don't get back to IL very often any more but we will forever be reminded of "The Bertrands" when we pass by their home . The light that Duane emitted here on earth has extinguished, but will shine brightly in the heavens. We are saddened and missing him from afar.

Bill & Faye Malek, Lakeview, Arkansas

William & Faye Malek - October 16, 2011 at 05:24 PM

BH

“ I knew Duane for the 28 years he served as a County Board Member. Duane was always a thoughtful, respectful, gentleman. He embodied the essence of a genteel christian. it was a pleasure to know and work with him.

Bruce Huot

Bruce Huot - October 16, 2011 at 11:20 AM

AM

“ I met Duane when I was working for State Savings & Loan (Olympic Federal). I always knew him to a kind and gentle man. My sympathy to his family. I am sure he will be greatly missed. Alice McWilliams

Alice McWilliams - October 16, 2011 at 08:38 AM



“ Grandpa,
You will forever be in our minds and in our hearts. As sad and as hard as it is for us here, I am happy that you are back with Grandma again.

Some of my fondest childhood memories are of times that we spent with you and Grandma, like Sunday dinners, cracking walnuts, playing at your house, sitting outside watching the traffic go by and hearing all the people who were complete strangers drive by and honk, swinging on the green swing and especially all the special times we spent as a family during the holidays. I am so fortunate to have had the opportunity to share you with my own kids! You and Grandma will always hold a special place in my heart. I love you guys and miss you dearly. Give Grandma a big hug and kiss for us! Until we meet again.

Love,

Lisa (David, Kaelyn and Matthew)

Lisa Anderson - October 15, 2011 at 04:58 PM