



Earlene K Burton

February 29, 1952 - December 28, 2025

Earlene K. Burton, age 73 of Bourbonnais, entered new life with her Savior on Sunday December 28, 2025, at her home. She was born on February 29, 1952, in Dayton, OH, the third daughter of Reverend Earl and Lena McKinney. Earlene attended Olivet Nazarene University where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She worked at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee as a charge nurse for many years. Also, Earlene worked as a charge nurse for Kankakee Valley Hospice. In the last five years of her nursing career, she worked as a nurse case manager at Heartland Hospice, Frankfort, IL. She felt her ministry was with Hospice patients and their families.

"What a humbling experience but distinct privilege to assist these patients as they transition to their eternal home."

Earlene was a wonderful God-fearing mother.

Surviving are two sisters, Linda Watson Carson and brother-in-law Don of Oklahoma City, OK, Joy Wisehart and brother-in-law, Lenny of Michigan; two daughters, Carrie (Hector) Chaparro, Sarah Ervin, all of Bourbonnais; four grandchildren, Micah and Mateo Chaparro, Grace and Elyse Ervin; along with many nieces and nephews.

Earlene is preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Lena McKinney; one brother-in-law, Larry Watson; and one son-in-law, Andy Ervin.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the 10:30 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, January 3, 2026, at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Bourbonnais. Dr. Reverend Lenny Wisehart will officiate the service with the

assistance of Pastor Hector Chaparro. Interment will follow at Mound Grove Cemetery, Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to family wishes

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

JAN 3. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Marilyn Cordes lit a candle in memory of Earlene K Burton* ”



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