



Elizabeth "Betty" LaGessee

January 18, 1926 - February 13, 2016

Elizabeth J. "Betty" LaGessee, 90, of Bourbonnais, passed away Saturday (Feb. 13, 2016) at her home.

She was born Jan. 18, 1926, in St. Anne, the daughter of Deland and Beatrice Bourgeois Cross. Betty married Ronald LaGessee on May 26, 1946, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Betty was a homemaker and also had worked at Tony Panozzo Produce and the telephone company in Rockford. She was a member of Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais.

Surviving are her husband, of Bourbonnais; three sons and daughters-in-law, Jeff and Sheila LaGessee, of Bradley, Dave and Marina LaGessee, of Eau Claire, Wis., and Tim and Rita LaGessee, of Bradley; two daughters and sons-in-law, Jane and Michael Marcotte, of Bourbonnais, and Carol and Mark Shierholz, of Bourbonnais; one brother, Robert and Zandra Cross, of Kankakee; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and special caregiver, Cindy Cleveland, of St. Anne, who was Betty's angel here on earth.

Preceding her in death were her parents; and three brothers, Marshall, Russell and Gordon Cross.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais, with the Rev. Richard Pighini officiating. Burial will follow in All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital or Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

Memorials may be made for St. Jude Children's Hospital - <https://www.stjude.org>
or Hospice of Kankakee Valley - hkvcares.org

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

KK

“ When I saw Betty's picture in the paper regarding celebrating her 90th birthday, I clipped it out and it was setting on my dining room table as a reminder to send her a birthday card. I heard from Patty P about something going on at Maternity Church and I thought it had to do with her birthday. I so sorry to learn of her death. You have my deepest sympathy. She was a great lady!

Kathleen Kennedy-Shepherd

Kathleen Kennedy-Shepherd - February 18, 2016 at 06:01 PM

CW

“ To Tim and Family ... thinking of you and expressing our sincere sympathy, thoughts and prayers to all of you ... RIP Mrs. LaGesse ... Caryl (Rollwitz) and Jim Foy and Family



Caryl Wadley-Foy - February 17, 2016 at 10:43 AM



“ Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.



Marilyn Krupa-Burns - February 16, 2016 at 09:55 PM

EG

“ I spent a lot of time at Betty's house in my teenage years. Carol one of Betty's Daughters is one of my best friends. I have very fond memories of Betty she always had a smile on her face and was also very funny. My sympathies so the whole Family. She will be missed.
Elizabeth Gates

Elizabeth Gates - February 16, 2016 at 12:24 PM

JK

“ I have met Betty a couple of times while taking care of Jean. My Love and prayers to the entire LaGesse family

Jayne Azzarelli Korstick - February 16, 2016 at 09:27 AM