



Ellen Gholston

July 1, 1943 - September 21, 2009

Visitation for Ellen A. Gholston, 66, of Kankakee, will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, in the chapel at Mound Grove Gardens. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. She died Monday (Sept. 21, 2009) at her home. Ms. Gholston had worked for the state for 44 years. She was an employee of Shapiro Developmental Center and had also worked at Manteno Mental Health Center. She was born July 1, 1943, in Kankakee, the daughter of William and Mercedes DeVan Brookshaw. She married Willie G. Gholston. Surviving are one daughter, Sibyl Padmore of Chandler, Ariz.; two grandchildren, William and Kalen Padmore; five sisters and one brother-in-law, Charmaine Woods and Carolyn O. Moore, both of Kankakee, Thelma Brookshaw of Park Forest, Mary V. Brookshaw and Judy M. and Bert Dear Jr., all of Kankakee; and four brothers and one sister-in-law, William and Bonnie Brookshaw and Stephen Brookshaw, all of Memphis, Tenn., Lawrence T. Brookshaw of Bourbonnais, and Dr. Michael Brookshaw of Winston-Salem, N.C.; special aunt, Eleanor Boston of Des Moines, Iowa; and two special friends, Chloe Hicks and Jacquelyn Love King; and a host of nieces and nephews. Deceased are her parents; one daughter, Stephanie; two brothers, Jeffrey and Theodore; and one sister, Eleanor.

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“ Dear Willie,

 I and my wife Mary are very sorry for the loss of your wife Ellen.

 I worked with you at k3 Roper in 63 & 64 ! Again - Very sorry Willie !

 Larry & Mary Yarno##imported-begin##Larry Yarno##imported-end##

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“ I am the granddaughter of Eleanor (Devan) Boston and daughter of Larry and Maria Hawkins. I would like to extend my condolences to my family. I have very fond memories of Ellen from attending family reunions in Des Moines and during our holiday visits. God Bless everyone and R.I.P. Ellen.

Love,

Bauni Hawkins-Motton

##imported-begin##Bauni (Hawkins) Motton##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to all of you. I would very much like to attend the visitation but I will be working at Carsons. That's how I knew Ellen. Every Friday and Saturday night she would come in the store - just to look or perhaps to buy. We had many nice conversations - especially about you, her family - you were her pride and joy, especially her two grandsons. She was so proud of you. I have two sons and we would talk and enjoy stories about our families. Ellen was a very special lady - she always had a smile, at least for me, and a kind work. I will miss her very much.##imported-begin##Kathy Shanahan##imported-end##

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“ Look to the hills from whence cometh your help, your help comes from the Lord. At a time of such sorrow, isn't it wonderful to know your loved one is resting in the presence of God. Ellen was a no-nonsense woman, straight to the point. She left an impression on my life. The care she gave and the love she showed for her family was an inspiration. May our God of infinite wisdom wrap your family in His loving arms and bestow upon you peace.##imported-begin##Dorothy L. Riley##imported-end##

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“ It was a shock to hear of Ann's passing. She came to visit us in Arizona with Sybil and we had a very nice visit. I was in Kankakee only a week before and had to return for several funerals and was glad to see all the family. Our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.##imported-begin##Joe And Anthonette Bisselle##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to Ellen's family.I remember out of all of our conversations, i would always end up on the listening end. God Bless Her###imported-begin##Sharon Dixon###imported-end##

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“ From my brothers, Amir and Tristan Flanigan and myself, we would like to send our deepest sympathies to the Brookshaw family and friends. You are all in our prayers.###imported-begin##Celeste Flanigan###imported-end##

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“ Ellen was a frequent shopper in Carson's while I worked there. I even was able to know her grandson, William, while I worked in the children's department (a while ago). Ellen soon became a friend instead of a customer. I quit Carson's three years ago, but always wondered about Ellen. I was saddened to read about her death. William, she was so proud of you!! My condolences to the family.###imported-begin##Kay Bryant###imported-end##

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“ Ms. Ann,

You're gone to soon... All I know is that someone in Heaven must have needed to hear the truth,and to hear it soon...

I'll miss your laughter,friendship,and the "Breath of Fresh air",that was all about you....

Rest in Peace...

Melody###imported-begin##Melody Presswood###imported-end##

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“ My mother and Ellen were very close friend's. ĩċ½When Stepanie had her accident as a child, my mother stayed by Ellen's side during the many trips to Evanstan Hospital. ĩċ½I know that they are together again and will spend many hour talking as they used to do. ĩċ½Only this time, it won't be late night phone calls, but happy chatter daily.##imported-begin##Penny Williams##imported-end##

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“ The family has my deepest sorry at this time of losing Ellen. ĩċ½I remember her and her daughter when i managed the apartments at Sherwood Forest. ĩċ½She and her daughter are together now. ĩċ½sorry i am not there to tell her good-by, but she is in my thoughts and prayers. ĩċ½ĩċ½Judy Alder##imported-begin##Judy Alder##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to Ellen's family. I enjoyed the time that i shared with Ellen.I remember when i lost my sister Ellen was always there to comfort me. Love you and miss you. The Jackson's##imported-begin##Joseph & Elaine Jackson##imported-end##

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“ Ellen Ann, your gone too soon; but you will not be forgotten!##imported-begin##Jean Williams##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Barbara Rosenthal##imported-end##

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“ To the Gholston, family i ½ you have my love prayer because i no how u feel i have been their.##imported-begin##Minnie Brewster##imported-end##

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“ Just a few months ago we laughed and talked about retiring from our jobs, to move to Arizona and enjoy life. i ½ It was cut to short, too soon. i ½ I know all too well the lost of a Mother, but know that Ellen will be missed, i ½ and know that God will see you (sibil) through, hold on and my ear is always available to pray you through. i ½ Love you Barbara##imported-begin##Barbara Rosenthal##imported-end##

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“ My prayers are with the Brookshaw and Gholston family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Elayne Coffie##imported-end##

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“ Family, you are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Carolyn Hairston Rice##imported-end##

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“ My deepest Sympathy to the family of Ellen Gholston.##imported-begin##Margaret Archie##imported-end##

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“ Ellen,

Thank you for your kindness and your straight forward ways!##imported-begin##Tyler and Jenny Tall##imported-end##

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“ You will be missed by so many may you rest in peace. God bless.##imported-begin##Tabytha Dunigan##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers are with the family at this time. Ellen will be greatly missed by us.##imported-begin##Michael & Rita Morris##imported-end##

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“ She will be missed around the table when her kinfolks come to town. A dear friend.##imported-begin##Sam Dunigan##imported-end##

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“ *Wishing you comfort and peace at this difficult time".##imported-begin##Vanessa A. Holden##imported-end##*

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