



Etta Karpinski

May 7, 1925 - July 25, 2018

Etta Karpinski, age 93, of Manteno, Illinois passed away peacefully in her home on Wednesday, July 25, 2018. She was born May 7, 1925 in Venice, Illinois, the daughter of Henry & Gladys E. Cheatham. Etta married Bill Radtke on October 12, 1946. He preceded her in death on August 15, 1977. Later, she married Edmund Karpinski on February 15, 1987. He preceded her in death on December 21, 2013.

Etta was a bookkeeper at Schulze and Burch Biscuit Company and a bridal consultant at Edith's Bridal Shop in Blue Island, Illinois. Etta was a volunteer at the Veterans Home in Manteno for 17 years. She also volunteered at St. Francis Hospital and the Meals on Wheels Program. Etta attended Cornerstone Church in Manteno, Illinois. She was known for her great faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and she taught all who knew her to BELIEVE.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Paul & Mary Pat Radtke of Clearwater, FL; two daughters and one son-in-law, Janis & Donald Fletcher of Bakersfield, CA and Julie DeChene of Lockport; seven grandchildren, Ryan (Melissa) Fletcher, Kimberly (Kale) Kinchen, Michelle (Chris) Denner, William (Nicole) Radtke, Kevin (Katie) Radtke, Brianna (Paul) Stanley, and Kacie (Bill) McDonald; 7 great-grandchildren, Ava Fletcher, Manny Radtke, Luke Fletcher, Kaison Radtke, Charlie Denner, twins, Blake and Lauren Fletcher; and another great-grandchild expected in November. In addition to her husbands, Etta is preceded in death by her parents; one grandson, Scott Fletcher; and

five brothers.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the 10:30 a.m. funeral service on Monday, July 30, 2018 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Manteno. Burial will be at 3 p.m. at Chapel Hill Gardens South Cemetery in Oak Lawn. Memorials may be made to Illinois Veterans Home in Manteno, Illinois.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Gardens South Cemetery

Oak Lawn, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 30. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ I am so sad for all your family. Yet I know Etta is laughing up in paradise. She brought so many people to God through her beliefs and her fun stories. I never met someone that could find a connection with everybody, and usually it was somebody that they knew mutually. She was so much fun, and a light that I will miss. Whenever she came into the salon she brought the sunshine with her. Everybody felt so uplifted being around her. You are so blessed to have such a wonderful mother. And we all BELIEVE because of her. Much love and prayers and my deepest heartfelt condolences to all of you



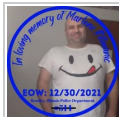
Jeannie Zenere Cancialosi - July 27, 2018 at 03:29 PM

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“ I'll always remember her smile & energetic spirit. When I ran into her at Kline's in Blue Island years after leaving Calumet Park, she was so effervescent as always. My sincerest condolences to the family, especially Janis who I grew up with. May she rest in the arms of our loving Father.



Donna Boddy - July 27, 2018 at 11:36 AM



Thank you Etta for being my friend. Volunteering with you at the Veteran's Home and my other friends there was truly one of the highlights of my life that I look back on fondly. I miss those days. I love you, Ed, Ray, Marcie, Rich, Diane, Joe, and Mo.

Jeff Blumenthal - July 27, 2018 at 06:39 PM

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She was a true BELIEVER. Also it is true that she always could find a connection and something to talk about with just about anybody. She loved music and loved to dance to the YMCA! Will miss my Aunt Etta.

Linda Radtke - July 29, 2018 at 08:50 PM

AS

My beloved aunt. I'll miss you and I'll miss your calls on my birthday. Because, you know, we shared the same birthday of May 7. The world was a little nicer place with you around. Your loving nephew, Art.

Art Sebek - July 30, 2018 at 03:49 PM