



## Francis A. Fritz

September 17, 1934 - January 7, 2022

Francis A. Fritz, age 87, of Kankakee, passed away Friday, January 7, 2022 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

He was born September 17, 1934 in Union Hill, the son of George & Emma Hebekeuser Fritz.

Francis married Antoinette "Ann" Panozzo on October 9, 1954 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee.

He had been a contractor/builder.

Francis loved gardening and taking care of his yard. He enjoyed golfing, playing cards, and bags. He was a great high school football player and he loved watching football. He was a huge sports fan.

Francis was a member of the Moose Lodge as well as a member of the Quadrille Dance Club.

Francis was a parishioner of St. Rose Chapel and St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Surviving are his wife of 61 years, Antoinette Fritz of Kankakee; one son and daughter-in-law, Stephen & Janice Fritz of Kankakee; one sister, Cathy Lovell of Cincinnati, OH; two brothers and two sisters-in-law, Edwin Fritz of Kankakee, James & Ann Fritz of Kankakee, and Elsie Fritz of Union Hill; one grandchild, Austin Fritz; and many nieces and nephews.

Francis is preceded in death by his parents; one brother, William Fritz; one sister & two brothers-in-law, Mardell & Bob Spears and Leonard Lovel ; and one sister-in-law, Patricia Fritz.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the funeral Mass at

11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee. Rev. John Peeters will celebrate the Mass.

Private interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church  
428 S. Indiana  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-6716

## Funeral Mass

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

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428 S. Indiana  
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# Tribute Wall

CA

“ I am Cecilia Fritz ANDRIS daughter of Arthur and Theresa. We moved to Chicago when I was young. Some of my best memories are when we would go out to “the farm” and spend the day with our cousins. My brother, Art, would hang around with Franny. I enjoyed being with Catherine and Jimmy. It was a great time in life. I am sure my brother welcomed him with open arms in heaven. Bob and I send you all our deepest sympathy and will remember you in our prayers.

Cecilia Andris - December 03, 2022 at 01:02 PM

CO

“ Fran had a sense of kindness and the strength of character so rare in the world today. Our thoughts are with Ann and family. Cheryl and Emma Overton.



Cheryl Overton - January 20, 2022 at 12:59 PM



“ So sorry to hear that Uncle Franny has passed away. I'm sure he and Dad are playing cards in heaven. Love Karen Fritz Stam and family



Karen Stam - January 13, 2022 at 08:23 AM

SN

“ Steven Norman lit a candle in memory of Francis A. Fritz



Steven Norman - January 12, 2022 at 11:16 PM

JF

“ Your family has our sympathy.

Joe and Carol Fritz - January 12, 2022 at 10:30 PM

JS

“ Janice Shenk lit a candle in memory of Francis A. Fritz



Janice Shenk - January 12, 2022 at 10:52 AM

JS

So sorry for your loss Ann. May he rest in peace!

Janice Shenk - January 12, 2022 at 10:52 AM

TW

“ Terry Wilson-Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Francis A. Fritz



Terry Wilson-Lloyd - January 12, 2022 at 09:52 AM

TD

“ *Todd And Sandy Dion lit a candle in memory of Francis A. Fritz*



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**Todd and Sandy Dion** - January 11, 2022 at 11:13 PM

KS

“ *Have you ever met a person and instantly knew they were a blessing? Fran was a blessing and a friend to strangers he met. He had a kind and loving soul. He always had a smile on his face and a friendly hello.*

*I can also state this for a fact, over the last few years that I had the privilege of knowing him. He was a hardworking man.*

*You can rest now Fran. Your earthy work is done.*

*To Frans Family and Friends May God comfort you during this difficult time and heal your hearts. May God shine his light of love on you and bring you peace.*

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**Kat Seiber** - January 11, 2022 at 02:33 PM

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“ *Mr. Fritz and I were neighbors. When I met him we had just we moved in. He introduced himself then explained when mowing next to his yard to please stay on my side. I said well I'm very picky about my yard and that won't be a problem. He laughed and said good. After that we became good friends and neighbors. We always had our yards looking nice and we went overboard decorating the yards for Christmas 🎄. We enjoyed talking to each other outside when putting up decorations. He enjoyed our dog 🐕 Jojo and would feed him little scraps left over from dinner. But Jojo's barking drove him nuts. He was the best neighbor we ever had. He will be sadly missed.*



*Our deepest sympathy 🌸.*

*Jim Ruel, Diane Morrison, Katie Keller and Brendan Keller 💔💔💔 ☐*

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**Diane Morrison** - January 11, 2022 at 11:38 AM