



Frank "Blas" Cervantes Jr.

June 30, 1930 - January 3, 2026

Frank Cervantes Jr., "Blas" age 95 of Bradley, passed away Saturday, January 3, 2026 at Iroquois Resident Home in Watseka. He was born on June 30, 1930, the son of Frank Sr. and Edna (Llamas) Cervantes. Frank married Vivian Wilma Krause in Chicago, IL on February 12, 1955. She preceded him in death on June 17, 2011.

Frank worked for Public Shoe Service in the field of shoe repair.

Frank was a 1951 graduate of the Kansas School of the Deaf in Olathe, KS. He participated in basketball, football and track. Frank was a member of the Boy Scouts of America, the Photography Club and Newspaper. He belonged to the Chicago Deaf Club, and the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, Chicago Division.

Frank was a parishioner of St. Anthony Padua Catholic Church, 11533 South Prairie Avenue, Chicago, IL 60628.

Surviving is one son, Frank III (Laura) Cervantes of Portage, IN; three daughters, Irene (Brian) Holl of Ashkum, IL, Anita (Brent) Bowen of Bloomington, IL, Helen (Jerry) Lafferty of Rochester, IL; two sisters, Angelina Tapia of Homewood, IL, Frances Alcantar of Bradley; eleven grandchildren, Michele Janota, Melissa Cox, Rachel Brucker, Roseann Mazique, Raquel Vivian Cervantes, Frank Xavier Cervantes, Helena Rose Booth, Madeline Lafferty, Amelia Lafferty, Veronica Lafferty, Michael Whitaker; eleven great grandchildren; and twenty great great grandchildren.

Frank is preceded in death by his wife, Vivian; his parents; one brother,

Frederick Cervantes; one sister, Emily (Herb) McGrath; one stepdaughter Mary Ellen (George) Clontz; one brother-in-law, Adrian Alcantar; two grandsons, Kent Mazique Jr., and Jacob Cervantes.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m until the time of the 12:00 p.m. service on Thursday, January 8, 2026 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Interment will follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Alsip, IL.

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

6001 W. 111th St.
Alsip, IL 60803

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

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