



Geraldine Surprenant

July 7, 1921 - July 18, 2005

Geraldine G. Surprenant, 84, of Bradley, died Monday (July 18, 2005) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Funeral Home, Manteno, and from 9 a.m. Thursday at Our Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, 150 N. Stanley, Grant Park, until the 10 a.m. services. Pastor Christopher Pratt will officiate. Burial will be in St. George Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Our Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grant Park, where she was a member. Mrs. Surprenant retired from Manteno State Hospital. She had also worked at the Wurlitzer plant in New York. She was born July 7, 1921, in North Tonawanda, N.Y., the daughter of Albert M. and Gertrude Wolanski Rappleyea. Her husband, Donald V. Surprenant, whom she married Aug. 26, 1946, in Baltimore, Md., died May 14, 1988. She loved babysitting and was known as "Gaggi" to all the children she sat for. She enjoyed the outdoors, camping, gardening and birds. Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Dale A. and Edie Surprenant, Donald L. and Virgie Surprenant, all of Bourbonnais; four sisters and one brother-in-law, Betty and Casey Cech of Tonawanda, N.Y., Rhea Campbell of Omaha, Neb., Janet and John Nowicki of Buffalo, N.Y., Colleen and John DeWald of Panama City, Fla.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Deceased are one son, David L. Surprenant; two brothers, David and Richard Rappleyea; and two sisters, Norma and May.

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“ *I was very saddened to hear that Gaggi had passed. She left a very memorable impression on my life. She was my baby-sitter when I attended St. George School. I remember her love of birds. All of her little statues of them and how we would always look out the window at them and feed them. She was the most caring and loving person I think I have ever met. Her love of life and children was always present. I will never forget the fun times I had with her and how much she cared for me and my sister. I was in Florida when I heard of her passing and really wished that I could have been there to honor her but I know that she knows that I love her very much. My condolences go out to all of her family who were also very kind and loving. I pray that God will comfort you at this time and just know that she is smiling down on us from heaven with her husband that she spoke so highly of to us. I just pray that God will know to more people on the world that are just like her.##imported-begin##Ashley Lowman##imported-end##*

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