



Helen M. Smith

June 24, 1925 - October 8, 2018

Helen M. Smith, age 93, of Bourbonnais passed away Monday, October 8, 2018 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. She was born June 24, 1925 in Kankakee, the daughter of Frank & Julia (Monik) Marczak. Helen married David J. Smith on September 28, 1946 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Kankakee. He preceded her in death in 1993.

As a teenager, Helen's first job was working at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She also was employed by the "overall factory" in Kankakee during the war and Eastridge Jr. High School in the cafeteria. Helen liked playing card games and being with her family. She enjoyed working in her yard and sewing.

Helen was a parishioner of Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. She served as a member of the Ladies of Soldality helping serve funeral lunches at the church and volunteering at Our Lady of Victory Nursing Home socializing with the residents.

Surviving are six nieces, Patricia Lamore of Manteno, Martha "Sue" Bydalek of Kankakee, Kathryn & Mike Sadler of Kimberling City, MO, Patricia & Buzz Smith of Coal City, Catherine Mallaney, and Jane Williams; two nephews, Steven (Sue) Marczak of MN and John Vigna of Morris; and several great nieces and great nephews. In addition to her husband, David J. Smith, Helen is preceded in death by her parents; one sister and brother-in-law, Florence & Walter Inगतowicz; one brother and sister-in-law, Edward & Doris Marczak; one nephew, Leonard Bydalek; and one niece, Alice Bydalek.

Visitation will be held from 8- 9:45 Saturday, October 13, 2018 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. following the visitation at Maternity B.V.M Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. Rev. Jason Nesbit will celebrate the mass. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made for masses or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 13. 8:00 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

OCT 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ *We always sat in front of or behind Helen at 7:15 am Mass on Sundays at Maternity. We will miss her.*

Marianne and Kristina Heinzl - October 14, 2018 at 10:53 PM

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“ *Sr. Martha lite a candle in memory of Helen Smith. God Bless her for the joy she gave Our Lady of Victory residents, when she socialized with them and helped them with "BINGO."*



Sr. Martha Harrington,scm - October 12, 2018 at 02:24 PM