



Henry O'Lena

August 20, 1927 - January 18, 2006

Henry O'Lena -- Kankakee Henry O'Lena, 78, of Kankakee, died Wednesday (Jan. 18, 2006) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Friday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Teresa Catholic Church in Kankakee. Burial will be in Maternity BVM Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to St. Teresa Catholic Church, where he was a member. Mr. O'Lena was retired from the Illinois Central Railroad. He was born Aug. 20, 1927, in St. Anne, the son of Percy and Mary O'Donnell O'Lena. His wife, the former Stella Menard, whom he married Dec. 31, 1960, in Bradley, died Aug. 11, 1995. He was a third and fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus and enjoyed reading. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Skip O'Lena of Kankakee, Leona Gibson of Bradley; two daughters and sons-in-law, Bonnie and Richard Brady of Downers Grove, Joyce and Ronald Ravens of Kankakee; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; three sisters, Parnell Mason of Kankakee, Shirley O'Lena of Bourbonnais; Viola "Peanut" Caldwell of Beaverville; and one brother, Raymond Dykstra of Ashkum. Two sons, Robert Gibson and Jerry Gibson; and one brother, Lawrence O'Lena, are deceased.

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