



## James V. Fortier

June 9, 1930 - February 1, 2014

James V. Fortier, 83, a lifelong resident of Kankakee, passed away Saturday (Feb. 1, 2014) at Presence Heritage Village in Kankakee. Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial service will be held at a later date at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee. Inurnment will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or to St. Patrick Catholic Church. Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Fortier was a retired accountant with the Kankakee County Highway Department. He had also worked for the Catholic Credit Union. He was born June 9, 1930, in Kankakee, the son of Vernon and Genevieve Cartier Fortier. He was a graduate of St. Patrick High School and a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during the Korean conflict.

Surviving are two sisters, Joan Bertrand, of Kansas City, Kan., and Jacqueline Fortier, of Chicago; one brother, Father Joel Fortier, of Chicago; and several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley - [www.hkvcares.org](http://www.hkvcares.org); or St. Patrick Church, Kankakee, IL - [www.stpatrickkankakee.com/](http://www.stpatrickkankakee.com/)



# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-2342

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

JUN 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

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**Uncle Jim's Niece, Diane Adams** - February 04, 2014 at 11:07 PM

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“ *Uncle Jim was a treasure in our lives, he sent self-created Christmas ornaments to our kids every year; sent us photos of his travels and honored everyone's birthdays...just a gentle human being with a kind heart. We were all blessed to know and love him.*

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**Mike & Diane Adams** - February 04, 2014 at 10:28 PM

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“ *A dedicated and trustworthy public servant! A faultless and accurate bookkeeper! A good and patient co-worker and friend! I praise God that Jim was so wonderfully made! Warmest regards. Jim Piekarczyk, County Engineer (Retired)*

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**Jim Piekarczyk** - February 04, 2014 at 07:03 PM

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“ We met Jim in Kankakee, at Century Club in the late 1950's. He became a close friend, with whom we shared our fellowship and family. He enjoyed watching our children grow, and sharing beautiful things with us. He would bring bittersweet in the fall, and often would bring a book or such for the children. Following our move to MN, we still communicated by phone and a note from time to time, and e-mail. My last conversation was at the time of Jackie's 80th when they were hoping to get to visit with Joan, but weren't sure how the traveling would work out.

Joel was our paper boy when we also lived on Wall Street. I'm sure Jim will be greatly missed by his family and friends. We are of his age, so this is someone we will also miss.

May God give you peace as you grieve his loss. I hope the passing was a blessing, without months of illness. We know he enjoyed his family, and his home area.

Our friend Virginia, in Kankakee, let us know about his death.

Bob and Carol Paulson

Our address should be in Jim's address or phone book.

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**Carol B. Paulson** - February 04, 2014 at 11:38 AM