



Jeanne F. Hansen

February 8, 1926 - November 27, 2015

Jeanne F. Hansen, 89 of Kankakee died November 27, 2015 at Miller Health Care in Kankakee, IL. She was born February 8, 1926 in Evanston Illinois to James and Edna Nixon Farrell.

Jeanne graduated from Our Lady Academy in Manteno.

On her birthday in 1947, Jeanne married Bernard C. Hansen at St. Joseph's Church in Manteno. Together they raised a family of four children and owned and operated farms in Kankakee and Iroquois counties. Jeanne also worked for many years at JC Penney in Kankakee.

She is preceded in death by her husband Bernard, who died December 27, 2004, and brother James "Jimmy" Farrell of Manteno.

Jeanne is survived by four children: Richard (Judy) Hansen of Kankakee, Margaret (James) Frogge of Kankakee, Donna (Dwight) Sivertsen of Moline, and Ronald (Pat) Hansen of Kankakee. She is also survived by 9 grandchildren: (Chad Hansen, Kari Hansen Monk, Jessica Frogge, Sarah Frogge, Nathan Frogge, Matthew Sivertsen, Andrew Sivertsen, Ryan Sivertsen, and Gunnar Hansen) and 8 great-grandchildren.

Jeanne was an active member and leader in the community who volunteered her time and talents for numerous groups and organizations.

She served as a Director of the Board of the Kankakee County Fair and Exposition for 15 years and was the founder and director of the Battle of the Bands annual competition at the fair.

Jeanne was both a 4-H Club leader and served on the Kankakee County 4-H

Council Board of Directors for almost 20 years.

Her life in the farming community also involved serving on the Kankakee County Farm Bureau's Governing Board, Women's Community Board, Legislative Committee, Ag-In-The-Classroom program, and Washington Farm Leaders Council. She received the Farm Bureau 1998 Meritorious Service Award for her long standing commitment to improving the lives of rural residents and advancing ag careers and programs.

Jeanne was appointed to and served on the Kankakee County Farm Land Assessment Review Board.

Jeanne was a strong supporter of St. Martin of Tours Church and School. Jeanne and her late husband, Bernard, were charter founding members of the Church and School. Jeanne was the first choir director and served as a Director of the Church Council for many years. She was recognized as the Woman of the Year in 1995 by the Catholic Council of Women (CCW). She was a Director of the former St. Martins Credit Union. Jeanne also volunteered at St. Martin's School for numerous activities and served as PTA President.

She was a member of the South Limestone Social Circle, a group founded over 90 years ago in that area.

Jeanne was deeply committed to her family and community, and enjoyed entertaining, music, ballroom dancing, travel, theater, and gardening.

Visitation will be Monday from 3 – 7 PM on Monday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee, IL. A funeral mass will be held on Tuesday at 11:00 AM at St. Martin of Tours Church, Kankakee, IL. Burial will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery, Kankakee, IL. Memorials may be made to St. Martin of Tours Church or Riverside Medical Center.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 30. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

DEC 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church
953 S. 9th Avenue
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-7177

Tribute Wall

LO

“ Donna I am so sorry about your mom
Our sympathy to your family

Lorrie - December 03, 2015 at 06:15 PM

DM

“ Donna~
I Just heard about your mom's passing last night. I am so sorry for
your loss. After seeing her picture I can see the sweet and friendly
woman that she was. I think her daughter has the same qualities.
Know that you and your family are in my prayers.
God Bless. Peace. Denise

Denise Maynard - December 03, 2015 at 01:58 PM

MT

“ Maggie and family,

Prayers and hugs are with you at this sad
time.

Mary Thomson - December 02, 2015 at 01:09 PM



LB

“ A very sweet lady... Remember as kids she
ran the dances at the county fair.. I would
undoe the lights...she always had a great
laugh and wonderful sense of humor...sorry
for your loss

Lennie Bertrand - December 01, 2015 at 05:49 PM



PF

“ *Deepest sympathy on the passing of your mother. I still remember how involved she was with 4-H and the Federation when I was active. Such a lady every time I would meet her in town. My prayers are with your family. Pat (Grimes) Farman*

Patricia Farman - December 01, 2015 at 04:43 PM

 Ray
Colevris

“ *Ray Colevris lit a candle in memory of Jeanne F. Hansen*



Ray Colevris - December 01, 2015 at 04:07 PM

AP

“ *Maggie, Donna, Rich and Ron- Extending our very deepest sympathy to you and your families. Words can hardly express how much your mom meant to us. It was always such a delight to see and visit with her! So many memories we will cherish forever!! Heaven's light shines brighter today as we pay tribute to her. Our love and prayers go out to all of you during this difficult time. Most sincerely, Marie, Patty and Alex Panozzo*

Alex Panozzo - December 01, 2015 at 03:24 PM

JG

“ *RICH, MAGGIE AND FAMILY, OUR DEEPEST AND MOST HEARTFELT SYMPATHY ON THE LOSS OF YOUR MOTHER. HER SMILE AND FRIENDSHIP WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. JANET AND EARL GIROUX*

JANET & EARL GIROUX - December 01, 2015 at 12:42 PM

MG

“ Dear Donna and Dwight,
I only heard the news today. Our deepest sympathies for your loss.
What a very nice picture. From all the other comforting words on
this tribute wall, it appears she was very much loved in the
community. You were blessed to have such a wonderful and loving
parent. Hope to talk to you soon.
Lovingly,
Marty and Hodge

Marty Gerlach - December 01, 2015 at 11:37 AM

MC

“ To Rich, Maggie, Ron and Donna....Our sympathy goes out to you
and your families in the loss of your Mother. You are in our thoughts
and prayers.

Mary Jane and Mac Cleeland, Sedona, Arizona.

MARY Jane Cleeland - November 30, 2015 at 10:27 PM

IG

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of your mother Rich! Our thoughts
and prayers are with you!
Bob and Irene Granger

Irene Granger - November 30, 2015 at 07:36 PM

DP

“ Kari Monk and family...you have my deepest sympathies. Your
grandmother was a very nice lady and will be missed. Praying for
you and your family.

Deidre Panozzo - November 30, 2015 at 06:27 PM



“ *Organic Sparkler was purchased for the family of Jeanne F. Hansen.*



November 30, 2015 at 05:27 PM



“ *You have my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother.*

Nancy Duby - November 30, 2015 at 01:22 PM



“ *Our community has suffered a loss with the passing of Mrs. Hansen. She will be missed by so many. It was always a treat to see her at Blue's and visit with her for a bit. She always had a smile ready for anyone who happened by her table. Our sympathy to her family. May the memories you share keep her close in your hearts as the years go by until you see her again.*

Rose & Gary Mitchell - November 30, 2015 at 08:25 AM



“ *Terry Nesbitt lit a candle in memory of Jeanne F. Hansen*



Terry Nesbitt - November 29, 2015 at 07:22 PM



Ron and family, sorry for your loss.

Terry Nesbitt - November 29, 2015 at 07:26 PM

KH

Hansen family, sorry for your loss. I thought your mother was a wonderful lady.

Karl Hamann - November 30, 2015 at 08:25 AM

AM

“ My sincere condolences to you and your family. I will always remember her smiling face every time my family would walk pass the choir group before mass at St. Martin's, and she always would say hello to us. And she had such a beautiful voice too. I'm so happy that I got to see her a couple of times at Miller before her passing, though she may not have fully remembered me but she still had that same sweet smile. Rest In Peace Ms. Jeanne. May the Angels lead you in.



Abigael McMillin - November 28, 2015 at 11:07 PM

SH

“ I am sorry to hear of Mrs. Jeanne Hansen's passing and the loss for your family. May you cherish her life's contributions and allow wonderful memories to help you heal.

Sandra Hernandez, coworker of Pat Hansen - November 28, 2015 at 12:10 PM

CW

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Jeanne's family. I was lucky to have met Jeanne in the choir at St. Martin's. She encouraged me to take up organ study, and she cheered me along the way. She was dedicated to singing in the choir, and nothing usually prevented her from coming to practice, or any of the masses. Jeanne was a wonderful person, full of life, and a smile always on her face. I'm grateful I had the opportunity to have known her. May she rest in peace.

Christopher Wilcox - November 27, 2015 at 05:04 PM