



## Jennie Schmidt

July 17, 1926 - February 21, 2023

Jennie Schmidt, 96, of Nevada, MO formerly of Kankakee, passed away 2/21/23 from pulmonary edema.

Visitation will be Monday March 13 4-7pm. Clancy Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Funeral mass

will be Tuesday March 14 at 10am at St. George Church in Bourbonnais, IL.

Jennie was born July 17, 1926, in Kankakee to Italian immigrants Pietro and Gerstina Serve. She

experienced a huge slice of American history being a child during the Great Depression and a teenager through WWII.

She married Anselm 'Sam' Schmidt on July 10, 1948. He passed away 2/8/79.

Surviving is one daughter, Christine Emery of Nevada, MO, two sons, Anthony (April) Schmidt of

Midlothian, IL, and Raymond (Jorie) Schmidt of Manteno, IL, and one daughter-in-law Kristina Evans

Schmidt of Mesquite, NV. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Jennie worked at Bear Brand Hosiery, Dandelles Bowling Alley as a cook, Mortell Co. and finished her

career at Simonize/Texize/Dow Corp in Kankakee. She retired in 1988. She was a lifelong member of St.

Martin of Tours Parish in Kankakee.

She was known for cooking spaghetti on Sundays for her extended family, a tradition she carried on for many years. She loved her lifelong hobby of crocheting. There are hundreds of beautiful afghans across the country that she crafted.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, her son John Schmidt, brother Steve

Serve, sisters Anna Goodrich, Pauline Jepsen, Frances Mercer, Mary Baker, Rose Lagesse and Angeline

Potrzebki. Also, Brothers-in-law John, Vince, and James Schmidt, sisters-in-law Bertha Hebert and Sr.

Adrienne Schmidt and all of their spouses. She truly was the last one standing in her generation.

Memorials will be made to Good Shepherd Hospice, 24 Delaware St. Butler, MO 64730 or the wishes of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

MAR 14. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. George Catholic Church  
5272 E. 5000 N. Rd.  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 939-1851  
<http://www.stgeorgeil.com>

# Tribute Wall

SS

“ Thinking of all of you and sending prayers.  
Also remembering so many fond memories of  
Jennie.  
Sue Skudlark



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**Susan Skudlark** - March 12, 2023 at 04:27 PM

GR

“ Gary Weber And Nancy Ruel lit a candle in  
memory of Jennie Schmidt



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**Gary Weber and Nancy Ruel** - March 12, 2023 at 10:33 AM

JO

“ So many memories of Aunt Jennie when I  
was little. I have thought of her so often over  
the years. My deepest sympathies along with  
prayers for comfort to her family.



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**Joyce Overright** - March 03, 2023 at 08:42 PM

MB

“ Chris & family, I will be visiting family in Florida when you are here  
for your mom's funeral. But I wanted ypu to know you all will be in  
my prayers.

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**Mary Boudreau** - March 01, 2023 at 10:01 AM

RH

“ I worked with Jennie at Dandelles in the late sixties. I was the cocktail waitress when she was the cook. Lot of laughs, Oscar Ruder was the bartender!! I got to see her sometime during the last several years out shopping! I loved Jennie!

Rose Hedger - February 28, 2023 at 11:00 AM

NM

“ Nancy Meli lit a candle in memory of Jennie Schmidt



Nancy Meli - February 28, 2023 at 07:46 AM

TH

“ Aunt Jenny will be missed, she was a very special lady, she now is with the family she started with GOd Bless

Toni Hughes - February 28, 2023 at 07:27 AM

KP

“ I love you grama. I will miss our little text visits via Aunt Chris. (So many thanks for that Aunt Chris.) I will forever cheers to you with our special New Years grasshopper. Everytime I crochet a blanket or a pair of slippers I'll think of you. Thank you for teaching me all that you did. Give dad a hug from me.. I'm gonna miss you.💋💕

Kimberly Pangle-Killion - February 27, 2023 at 03:11 PM

BH

“ *Bryan & Joelene Hays lit a candle in memory of Jennie Schmidt*



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**Bryan & Joelene Hays** - February 27, 2023 at 02:07 PM

JG

“ *Joseph Giacchino lit a candle in memory of Jennie Schmidt*



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**Joseph Giacchino** - February 27, 2023 at 12:55 PM