



Joyce Brown

February 3, 1929 - October 7, 2008

Visitation for Joyce V. Brown, 79, of Bourbonnais, will be from 10 a.m. Friday until the noon services at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Pastor Dale Tolly will officiate. Burial will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood. Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Humane Society, P.O. Box 2115, Kankakee, IL 60901; or to the National Kidney Foundation, 215 W. Illinois Street, Apt. 1C, Chicago, IL 60610-4263. She died Tuesday (Oct. 7, 2008) at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. Mrs. Brown was a homemaker. She was born Feb. 3, 1929, in Ossining, N.Y., the daughter of Paul and Nancy Downey VanBrunt. Her husband, Claude R. Brown, whom she married March 27, 1948, in Haddonfield, N.J., died April 3, 2006. She had been a Girl Scout leader and was a charter member of the Riverside Auxiliary. She was of the Methodist faith. Her family was everything to her. She loved to sew and really enjoyed music. Surviving are two daughters and sons-in-law, Nancy and James Smith of Bourbonnais, Donna and David Lee of Palm City, Fla.; two grandsons, Justin Lee of New York City, Robb Smith of Bourbonnais; and half sister, Linda (Cliff) Durham of Winston-Salem, N.C. Deceased are her parents; and two brothers, Paul VanBrunt Jr. and Richard VanBrunt.

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“ Nancy and Donna,

I just talked to my dad tonight and he told me about your mom. I'm so sorry. Aunt Joyce was a real sweetheart. I remember when she came over to our house on Fairway Court to take care of us the morning that my sister Sue was born. She got us off to school that morning! I remember going over to your house on Country Club (the one at the end of the street) for dinners. In fact, I think we came over one year on Christmas Day for dinner. I have lots of happy memories of your family over the years. Your mom and dad were Aunt Joyce and Uncle Brownie to me my whole life. I loved exchanging Christmas cards with them over the years, mainly because it kept us in touch.

I was reading her obituary in the Kankakee Daily Journal, and when I read that she was a homemaker I thought that was really a tribute to who she was. She made your house a home and made everyone feel so welcome. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I hope that your memories will bring you comfort.

God bless you and your families,

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“ *My heart goes out to the Brown Family. Joyce was so sweet and I never heard her complain about much. She will be missed.##imported-begin##NULL##imported-end##*

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