



Joyce Martell

April 18, 1935 - February 14, 2009

Joyce M. Martell, 73, of Beaverville, died Saturday (Feb. 14, 2009) at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home, St. Anne, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday. The Rev. John M. Kraps will officiate. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Beaverville. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. Mrs. Martell had been a teachers' aide at Washington Grade School in Kankakee; nursing home administrator for Haven of Rest in Beaverville; office manager for Dr. Deland Burns; and secretary for the Iroquois County Hospice. She was a volunteer for the Sheldon Food Pantry and the Iroquois County Hospice. She was born April 18, 1935, in Kankakee, the daughter of John and Florence Gigl Hoppel. She was a member of the Donovan United Methodist Church. She enjoyed gardening, quilting, cooking and get-togethers. Surviving are her husband, Donald G. Martell, of Beaverville, whom she married Nov. 9, 1957, in Goodrich; three sons and daughters-in-law, Brian and Debora Martell of Donovan, Barry and Jill Martell of Princeton, Bruce and Amy Martell of Beaverville; four grandchildren; her stepmother, Virginia Hoppel of Bourbonnais; and three sisters, Kathy Planas of Texas, Sheila Plante of Kankakee, and Elaine Lindstrom of Bourbonnais. One brother, Donald Hoppel, is deceased.

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“ *Brian & Family* >

*So sorry sorry to hear of your loss. Please accept my sympathy for you and your family duing this difficult time. ĩ½My prayers are with you.

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“ *Don,

We are so sorry to hear of your loss.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

God Bless

Love, Aunt Rita Martell

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“ Don, Brian and Family, Barry and Family & Bruce and Family,

We consider ourselves very blessed for being able to get to know your family. ĩ½Jill, Barry and Jessica have been a part of our lives for many years and then we got to know Don & Joyce in a special way. ĩ½We will never forget our memories of your time in Florida.

We wish we could be with you today and tomorrow for the services. ĩ½We know this is a very difficult time for all of you and we want you to know we love you and are praying for you.

Joyce was a very dear lady and certainly appeared to us to be a great mother, grandmother and wife. ĩ½She handled this illness in the bravest of ways and had one of the most positive additudes I have seen through it all. ĩ½Joyce is in a better place today and now it is time to celebrate her life and reflect on how she has blessed each of us.

God Bless each of you and know that we love you. ĩ½Don, we will call you soon.

Love, Jill & Dennis O'Brien###imported-begin###Dennis & Jill O'Brien###imported-end###

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“ Joyce was an 'old-fashioned girl' in the finest sense. She embodied many wonderful virtues for which I admired her deeply. Her greatest tribute is the happiness she brought Donald throughout their 50 plus years of marriage [and we were so happy to be able to share in that golden anniversary celebration with you], and raising her fine sons in the same traditions that she and Donald espoused. The way she lived her life is an example to all of us.

Donald and boys, we share in your sorrow and will keep you in our thoughts.###imported-begin###Kathy Martel Holz-Zamutto###imported-end###

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“ I really didn't know Joyce but knowing Brian I know that she had to be a good Mom. She taught him good values. He has always been a good caring person (a tribute to his upbringing). I am thinking of all of you. I was just going through my yearbooks from school and Brian signed that I should always think of him, and I truly am doing that now. May God bless all of you in this difficult time. I know that this isn't the time, but, I would like Brian to contact me. I am concerned about his job (I read the article in the Daily Journal) and have been quite worried. I hope that all is well.

Concerned Classmate,

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