



Joyce D. Mayo

March 8, 1920 - August 4, 2019

Joyce D. Mayo, age 99, of Kankakee, passed away Sunday, August 4, 2019 at AMITA St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She was born on March 8, 1920 in Paynesville, Minnesota, the daughter of Charles & Josephine Hansen Johns.

Mrs. Mayo completed nurses training in Rochester, Minnesota and worked at several hospitals including Cook County Hospital in Chicago, Abbott Hospital in Minneapolis, and St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She married Dr. Wilbur Mayo on June 22, 1942 and they moved to Kankakee after the war where Dr. Mayo opened a dental office and Joyce Mayo continued her nursing career. He passed away June 23, 1994.

Joyce was a charter member of St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church in Kankakee, serving as a Eucharistic Minister and singing in the choir well into her 90's. She faithfully served as a member of the CCW as well as president of the JDCCW. Joyce served on the Bishop Blanchette Scholarship Fund and the Committee on Pastoral Care, Arbitration, and Conciliation.

She was a member of the Kankakee Junior Woman's Club and in later years, the Senior Woman's Club, serving as program chairman in each club.

Joyce volunteered with the American Red Cross, the Kankakee Health Department, the Girl Scouts, and St. Mary's Outpatient Surgery and Cardiac Rehab Units.

She had recently resided at Presence Heritage Lodge. Joyce loved to play bridge and was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears fan.

She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Meyer and partner Sandy Wilberger of Richmond, Virginia; her three sons and their wives, Brian & Debbie Mayo of Bel Air, Maryland, Mike & Mary Mayo of Bourbonnais, and Bill & Sherry Mayo of Pensacola, Florida.

Joyce is also survived by 13 grandchildren, Bradley Meyer and his wife, Robin, Becky Meyer and her husband, Cody, Brandon Mayo and his wife, Jenn, Colin Mayo, Austin Mayo, Eric Mayo and his wife, Jill, Ryan Mayo, Nick Mayo and his wife, Katie, Ben Mayo, Will Mayo, Casey Bowman and her husband, David, Megan Crane and her husband, Ryan, and Trevor Mayo. Mrs. Mayo had 11 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; 4 sisters; 3 brothers; and her son, Charles Mayo.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Thursday, August 8, 2019 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Friday, August 9, 2019 at St. John Paul II Catholic Church – West Campus in Kankakee (St. Martins).

Interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to St. John Paul II Church – West Campus or Presence Heritage Lodge at 995 N. Entrance Ave., Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 8. 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

AUG 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Paul II - West Campus
953 South 9th Avenue
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall



“ *My condolences to the family. A wonderful women and family member. I am so glad you had such a good long life. Peace.*

Timothy West - January 11, 2021 at 12:47 PM

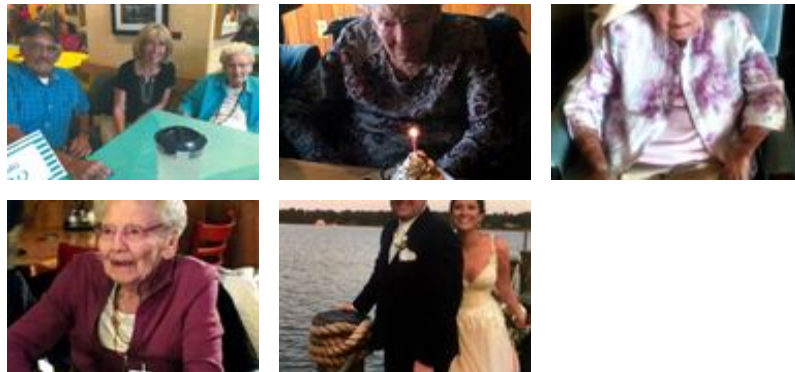
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“ *Deepest sympathy goes out to the Mayo family. I hope that you find some peace in knowing that she lived a long life surrounded by loving family.*

Tom Dandelles - August 07, 2019 at 08:07 PM



“ *55 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - August 06, 2019 at 12:24 PM

BP

“ *Joyce Mayo was always so nice to me and my family. We lived across the street from her for many years, and she is an indelible and good part of my memories of my childhood. To all of the Mayo family, my family's prayers are with you guys.*

Bernard Poskus - August 06, 2019 at 11:58 AM

RM

“ God took another angel home. Rest in peace Mrs. Mayo. May your family find comfort in the many memories shared so the laughter overtakes the tears as time passes. Our sympathy and condolences to your loved ones.

Rose & Gary Mitchell - August 06, 2019 at 10:38 AM

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“ Cheri Clausen lit a candle in memory of Joyce D. Mayo



Cheri Clausen - August 05, 2019 at 10:04 PM

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Rest In Peace Joyce....I will always remember the summers I spent with you & all the great memories I made being part of your beautiful family....My deepest sympathies to Nancy, Brian, Mike & Billy....Love & Hugs

Cheri Clausen - August 05, 2019 at 10:10 PM

JG

What can I say to my first neighbors and my first friend. Felt like a second Mom all those many years ago. May sound silly but loved spending the night and having waffles in the morning. And all those boys. And my first visit to "The Walnut Room". And all the energy she put into our scout troop. I have much to be thankful for from knowing "Mrs Mayo". Blessing to all the family especially Nancy.

Jeannie Lambert Grumish - August 06, 2019 at 09:49 AM

MB

“ *My sincerest condolences to the Mayo Family! Mrs. Mayo was mom to my dear friend, Nancy, who I met at the start of our freshman year in high school! She was like a second mom.....I enjoyed visits with her over the years when Nancy would come home. She will be dearly missed by all who loved her. Love you, Mary Pat*



Mary Pat Taylor Barney - August 05, 2019 at 08:35 PM

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“ *Austin Q. Mayo lit a candle in memory of Joyce D. Mayo*



Austin Q. Mayo - August 05, 2019 at 05:46 PM