



Kathleen A. Pechauer

March 27, 1948 - December 8, 2025

Kathleen A. Pechauer, age 77 of Bourbonnais, passed away on Monday, December 8, 2025, at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. She was born on March 27, 1948, in Kankakee, the daughter of William T. and Verna (Cotter) Ponikvar.

Kathleen was a teacher having taught at Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School, Bradley and Osborn Park High School in Manassas, VA retiring after 40 years of teaching. She worked as a police officer for the Bradley Police Department. Kathleen graduated from Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School. She received her bachelor's degree and master's degree from Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Kathleen loved traveling and reading. Most of all, she loved being with her nieces and nephews.

Kathleen was a parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley.

Surviving are three sisters, Mary (Bruce) Adams of Bourbonnais, Nancy Waller (Bill Chipman) of St. Anne, Julie Ebersole of Bradley; eight nieces and nephews, Ryan (Lindsay) Adams, Brent (Nicole) Adams, Tricia Waller, Alicia (Joe) Garman, Brian (Alecia) Ebersole, Mandy (Scott) Vent, Elizabeth Ebersole (Aaron Brisson), Jacob (Katie) Ebersole; and thirteen great nieces and nephews.

Kathleen is preceded in death by her parents and one brother-in-law, Brian Ebersole.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorial visitation will be from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2025, at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 20, 2025 at. St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bradley. Inurnment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to St. Benedict Monastery in Bristow, VA, Muscular Dystrophy Association, or Uplifted Care.

Please sign her guestbook at www.clancygernon.com.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC **19**. 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

Memorial Mass

DEC **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
211 N. Center Street
Bradley, IL 60915
(815) 939-3573
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

Tribute Wall

SC

“ My husband Scott and I worked with Kathy at Osbourn Park HS in Manassas, VA. We had an instant bond; both being Midwest girls. The friendship and laughs we shared for many years will be cherished. Our sympathies and prayers to Kathy's family. Fly High, KP!!

Sandra Crow - December 23, 2025 at 12:26 PM

CM

“ Sending prayers for Kathy. May she rest in peace and may Nancy, Mary and Julie and families treasure all the memories of Kathy forever. Love, Carrie, Eric and Connor Maday

Caroline Maday - December 19, 2025 at 10:16 AM

SP

“ Kathy was my dear friend for decades. We traveled together, taught together, went to the theater together and even lived together for 4 years while she saved money to buy her own townhouse. We shared our families, our good times and bad. Rest in peace Kathy. I will miss you.

Stephanie Polzin - December 18, 2025 at 06:38 PM

DM

“ To the family of Kathy. We are so sad for your loss. Kathy was a good friend to us in Manassas VA. We will always carry her kind words and love in our hearts. Kathy shared so many wonderful pictures and stories with us about her family that she loved so very much.

Please know that Kathy was a beautiful person and we Will miss her.

Our love and sympathy to Kathy's family.

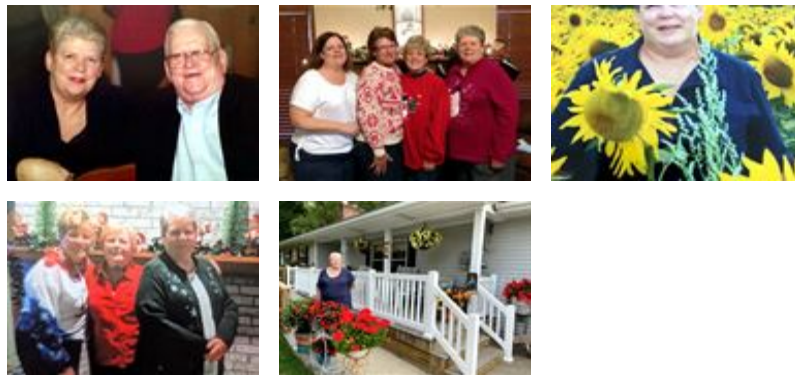
God Bless each of you.

Duane Kidwell and David Miles

Duane Kidwell and David Miles - December 16, 2025 at 09:55 AM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - December 15, 2025 at 12:45 PM

JG

“ I have fond memories of Kathy when she was at BBCHS in the Business Dept. We had many a good laugh together. ❤️ Joann Gricius

Joann Gricius - December 12, 2025 at 03:44 PM

MF

“ Kathy and I worked at Osbourn Park High School in Manassas, VA for several years. I like to think we enjoyed a nice relationship- commonalities in many areas - mostly kind-hearted and funny. One year 1998 she was celebrating her 50th birthday. I had an electronic message board which I used to I thought was really fun. While she laughed, she was planning to similarly embarrass me when my 50th happened 4 years later. No simple sign but many hilarious ways to wish me (if not only to embarrass) me! She sure topped my effort! We laughed for days.

Michael Foley - December 10, 2025 at 10:58 PM

BW

“ Tim and I will miss Kathy. Nancy, Mary and Julie, she was always sharing stories of you and your families. The trips to and from Dulles airport were filled with stories, plans, graduations, new nieces and nephews. Know you meant everything to her.

Becky Williams - December 10, 2025 at 09:45 PM

BJ

“ Kathy was one of my best friends and went through my life with me...the good , the bad and the ugly. I will miss her and our phone calls that lasted for hours. I love you. Kathy! I cannot imagine my life without you. Thank you for being my friend. ❤️

Bev Jarrett - December 10, 2025 at 06:45 PM

PG

“ I have many wonderful memories of our years teaching at OP in Manassas, Va. She was a good friend full of kindness. She brought laughter and light to us all. Rest now Kathy, you will be missed by so many.

Pamela Gwinn - December 10, 2025 at 06:24 PM

DP

“ Kathy was a fantastic and caring teacher. I was fortunate to work with her early in my career at OP. She greatly impacted thousands of people as a dedicated teacher. I hope this brings comfort to her family knowing her legacy will go on.

David Palanzi - December 10, 2025 at 06:18 PM

CO

“ So sad to hear of Kathy's passing. My deepest sympathies to Mary and the entire family. She was such a sweet person and I am sure she will be dearly missed.

Cindy Orwig - December 10, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JD

“ So sorry to hear of Kathy's passing. My sympathies go out to the family. She was a wonderful person and friend.

Jeri DiMarzio - December 10, 2025 at 03:45 PM

SR

“ Too soon for such a dynamic person. Continue to fly high and laugh lots. You will be missed.

Sue Reilly - December 10, 2025 at 02:40 PM

TG

“ Our sincere sympathy to Mary, Nancy, Julie and your families. It was nice to see Kathy recently and share a big hug! Rest in Peace, Kathy. Therese and Rob Grace and family.

Therese Grace - December 10, 2025 at 12:54 PM

CM

“ I was shocked when I saw that Kathy had passed. She was a wonderful person & we had such fun working together back in 1972. Condolences to her sisters & family, may she rest in eternal peace,



Cathie (Sederstrand-Bergan) Miedema

Catherine Miedema - December 10, 2025 at 11:12 AM

ER

Very sorry for the family, growing up with the family as a kid I have many memories of Kathy and the sisters.

Ernie Richardson - December 10, 2025 at 01:52 PM

DM

My condolences to Mary,Nancy,and Julie 🙏 From one of the many who grew up on the 400 block of South Grand! RIP Kathy 🙏

Dan Merten - December 10, 2025 at 04:06 PM

DK

A dear, sweet Friend for 61 years and countless fun times together. So much love in her heart for Family & Friends. As you share your memories & stories , find comfort & hold on tight to each other.💔 A life so well lived will never be forgotten .Hugs & Prayers Donna & Jay Karr

Donna Karr - December 11, 2025 at 08:54 AM

MW

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Monique Walters - December 10, 2025 at 11:01 AM