



Leota A. Stoltz

October 25, 1922 - January 22, 2012

Leota Alverta (Roush) Stoltz, 89, passed away at Century Assisted Living in Carbondale at 7 p.m. Sunday (Jan. 22, 2012), surrounded by her loving family. Leota was born, raised and spent most of her life in Bradley.

Leota was a wonderful wife, mother, sister and nurse. After raising her five children, she returned to school to become a registered nurse. She worked for 20 years as a registered nurse starting at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She then enjoyed a long career as the school nurse at Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School, retiring in 1987. Leota influenced the lives of many students interested in pursuing a nursing career.

Leota loved her family and loved to travel, sew, quilt and bake. She was often referred to as "the pie lady," known for her delicious pies. Leota was a fun-loving person who enjoyed the opportunity to engage in a practical joke.

She was born Oct. 25, 1922, in Bradley, the daughter of Nathan and Gertrude Roush. She married Clarence Stoltz, in 1940, at St. Joseph's Rectory, in Bradley. He preceded her in death in 1998.

Surviving Leota are her daughter Lonna Egan-Turner, of Plano, Texas; her daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Joel English, of Scottsdale, Ariz.; her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Byron Williamson, of Carbondale; her

daughter and son-in-law, Becky and Bill Sangster, of Dade City, Fla.; and son, James Stoltz, of Clarksville, Tenn. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, Erin Larsen, Matt Egan, Greg English, Doug English, Jillian Stadel, Leigh Plucker, Lane Williamson, Paul Kilquist, Jon Kilquist and Summer Mendoza; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and sister, Eleanor Geiger, who passed away in 2007.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. Saturday until the 11 a.m. funeral services at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Minister Tom Tate of the Church of Christ in Bourbonnais will officiate.

Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Training Center.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Tribute Wall

SS

“ I just heard the news about Mrs. Stoltz passing away. My husband and I send our condolences to your family and our regrets that we were not there for the services. I would have loved to see you all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I have a lot of fond memories of our days on West Congress. I also thought your mom was really "cool".

Shirley & Tony Swaim

Shirley Swain - February 03, 2012 at 10:19 AM

AP

“ I always enjoyed seeing Leota when I visited my Mother here in Kankakee. She liked to stand close when we sang the old hymns together, and I know she enjoyed them. My prayers for strength are with the family.

Ardella Perry-Osler - January 27, 2012 at 10:34 AM

BW

“ Leota was always someone I looked forward to seeing ... either at school, or visiting her as Erin's grandmother. She was always fun to be around, and had a great sense of humor. It's been many years since I've seen her, but the memories have remained fond over time, and always will. My love to Lonna, Erin, Matt, and all of the family.

Becky Wilder - January 26, 2012 at 09:17 AM

CM

“ Sincere condolences on the passing of your mother. Fond memories of her living across the alley from our family. Cathie (Sederstrand) Miedema and the Mulligan family.

Cathie Miedema - January 25, 2012 at 06:59 PM

SW

“ My sympathies to her family. I knew Leota from BBCHS. I am a disabled person and spent my gym hour in her office in the early 80's. She was a wonderful person with a huge heart. I will forever love and miss her!

Sharron Walter - January 25, 2012 at 05:35 PM

GM

“ My condolence to the family. We enjoyed Leota as the Mother of a wonderful family. I also worked at BBCHS in an office close to the busy Nurse's desk. She was a wonderful friend to students and co-workers. Gwen Mifflin, Leesburg Florida.

Gwendolyn Mifflin - January 25, 2012 at 08:42 AM

TH

“ Caring for your mom was my pleasure. Mrs. Leota would let you know how she felt at the end of the day. A hug from her would make everything better. Thank you for allowing me to share in her life. Praying for you. Tina L Hudson

Tina L Hudson - January 24, 2012 at 09:57 PM

MC

“ Thinking of the Stoltz family and keeping you in my prayers. I spent a lot of time at the Stoltz home on Congress and your Mom was always so sweet about letting us gather there! Those were great memories. God bless you all.

Mary Jane Harbour Cleeland, Sedona, AZ

Mary Jane Harbour Cleeland - January 24, 2012 at 06:44 PM

CC

“ Sending my deepest sympathy and prayers for the strength to hold on, to a family who has suffered a loss . My heart breaks for your family. *Connie Blair Corcoran*

Connie Blair Corcoran - January 24, 2012 at 05:03 PM

JB

So sorry for your loss, keeping all of you in our prayers.

Bruce and Janet (Blair) Blake

Janet (Blair) Blake - January 26, 2012 at 08:12 AM

DE

“ Sorry for your loss .Leota was one of my favorite people .I will always remember her fondly . Leota helped many a student while serving as a school nurse at BBCHS. I worked with her in the student affairs office and she made avery tough situation better. Peace and God speed Leota. To her family and friend I would say we all should live such a good and fruitful life as your mother. *Denny Bossinger Peoria Arizona 85382*

DennisBossinger - January 24, 2012 at 12:03 PM

AR

“ *My heart goes out to her family & friends. She was such a nice lady to be around & it was a pleasure working with her at Soujourn. Let her R.I.P. & hopefully someday we wil find a cure for others batteling with this.*

Ajaia Rollo - January 24, 2012 at 11:47 AM