



Madore Lanoue

January 27, 1919 - June 28, 2005

Madore Joseph Leslie Lanoue, 86, of Kankakee, died Tuesday (June 28, 2005) at Provena Our Lady of Victory Nursing Home, Bourbonnais. Visitation will be from 2-6 p.m. Monday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, 295 Main St. NW, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church, Kankakee, where he was a member. Rev. Dennis Settles will officiate. Burial, with military rites, will be in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, 27034 S. Diagonal Road, Elwood. Memorials may be made to Provena Our Lady of Victory Nursing Home or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He was born Jan. 27, 1919, in Ashkum, the son of Walter F. and Irene V. Beland Lanoue. He married Irene V. Claywell Dec. 31, 1938 at Assumption Church in Ashkum. Madore was involved with the family farm and various occupations until he joined the U.S. Rubber Co., Wilmington, where he was employed from December 1941 through June 1944, when he began his military service. He was proud of his World War II service with the Third Army in Europe under the command of General G. Patton in the 4th Infantry Division, 8th Regiment, H Company during the Ardennes and Rhineland campaigns, where he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, two battle stars and the Bronze Star. After World War II, he made his passion for cars into his livelihood. Madore owned a Sinclair Station and worked at Uptown Sales before devoting the rest of his career to Lanoue Auto Sales, a venture owned by his son and best friend "Joe" since 1961. He was a member of the Bradley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6502, Bradley American Legion Post

766; lifetime member of St. Viator's Council 745 Knights of Columbus, Loyal Order of Moose and the Kankakee VFW Vintage Squadron. Madore liked to visit with his many friends, follow the Chicago Cubs, NASCAR races and loved to spend time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was loved by all who knew him and will be deeply missed by his family and friends. He is survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Irene, and two sons, Madore Joseph "Joe" Lanoue Jr. (Michelle Levitt) of Manteno, John "Jack" Walter (Terry) Lanoue of Oviedo, Fla.; two daughters, Sharon Ann (Al) Belisle of Bradley, Tina Marie (Steve) Boettcher of Bloomington; two brothers, Lawrence "Larry" (Barbara) of Bourbonnais, Duane (Virginia) of Shreveport, La.; three sisters, Velma Andrews of Kankakee, Ida Mae LaVoie of Eustis, Fla., Alice Corbin of Watseka; 16 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; and many nieces and nephews. Madore was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Dorothy Starkey; and one infant grandchild, Martin Lanoue.

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“ *Enjoyed talking with and dealing with Madore when Joe was gone or not around. Very Nice Man.. Ken Anderson##imported-begin##Ken Anderson##imported-end##*

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“ *NULL##imported-begin##Glenn & Betty Koets##imported-end##*

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“ *Mr. Lanoue, as I liked to call him. Was one of the people back in the 50 that would help us (younge kids) out when we had trouble with our cars and he new we didn't have lot of money and would take it easy on us. Also like to see him and Joe come into Blue's Cafe in the morning and just talk.

Were glad that our life pass and we got to know each other and will meet again some day. Richard & Aline##imported-begin##Ricard & Aline McHie##imported-end##*

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“ I consider myself fortunate to have been able to care for, listen to and talk to Madore and his family. It was a great honor and pleasure to care for him.

You can tell by his family and friends that he loved and was loved by many.

My deepest sympathy to you all.

Kim###imported-begin###Kim Hickory###imported-end##

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“ My sincere sympathy to your entire family. I know it's very sad to lose a loved one who meant so much to each of you.

God Bless.###imported-begin###Jan James###imported-end##

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“ Wishing you all well at this time of sorrow###imported-begin###Max Brewer###imported-end##

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“ Grandpa, we miss you. Your generous heart and wisdom are irreplaceable. You always made me feel loved, and proud to be a Lanoue. You made a difference to many people, not only your family, and we all benefited greatly from our time with you. I will always carry part of your special spirit within me; I will share your memory with my family and friends in words and hopefully through my deeds. Thank you for being you. God bless you and our family.

###imported-begin###Kevin Lanoue###imported-end##

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“ I'm in Washington State, not D.C....Love you grandma...##imported-begin##Karolyn Cooley##imported-end##

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“ I love you grandpa, I'll miss you. i ½Memories of you make me smile....##imported-begin##Karolyn Cooley##imported-end##

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“ Several years ago I had a "special" friendship with Joe Lanoue. I sometimes worked in the Lanoue Auto Sales office, and had the opportunity to visit with Madore. He was full of optimism, honesty, and caring of others. I remember the day he threw his cigarettes away, and never smoked again! He was reliable and appreciative of people and of life. My sincere sympathy to Madore's family.##imported-begin##Danna Blanchette-Postilio##imported-end##

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“ with deepest sympathy##imported-begin##Ruth Lanoue##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Irene and your family on this day.##imported-begin##Dan Mikolaizik##imported-end##

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“ Sorry to hear of the passing of the old 'Matadore'. I always enjoyed visiting with him on my daily delivery route with the Kankakee Journal when Joe's store was on Arthur Burch Drive. I know his passing will leave a large void in the Bradley/Bourbonnais area.##imported-begin##Marvin Hanes (The paper guy)##imported-end##

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“ Words can neaver say enough.##imported-begin##dennis duchene##imported-end##

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