



Marilouise "Hun" Adams

October 8, 1923 - November 17, 2015

Marilouise "Hun" Adams, 92, of Bradley, passed away Tuesday (Nov. 17, 2015) at her home.

She was born Oct. 8, 1923, in Iroquois, the daughter of Harry Basil and Lela Leona Gilbert Lambert. Marilouise married Leroy J. "Sparky" Adams on May 24, 1944. He preceded her in death on Nov. 29, 1999.

Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Mary Adams, of Longview, Texas, and Marty and Kathy Adams, of Bradley; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Marla and Gary Gash, Marita and Philip Wiltfang and Mary Harrison, all of Bradley; 15 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her sister and best friend, Iris Quick; and three grandchildren, Mathew Adams, Adam Hummel and Jennifer Flowers.

Also surviving are many dear friends, including the Goodman and Montague families, who were wonderful neighbors for more than 50 years; June Loving, not only a friend, but her hairdresser for many years; Maggie Shields, her weekly visiting companion; and her faithful dog, Brutus, who shared her chair each day. Dear to her heart also was the staff of her favorite restaurant, Bill's

Diner, especially Bill and Vicki Drimonas and Miguel A. Cortes, "water, no ice please," who were so gentle and caring for her every Saturday evening.

Mrs. Adams was a homemaker. She was an avid reader, excellent seamstress and superior artist, painting many beautiful pictures and barn quilt art. She took pleasure crafting and participating in craft fairs with her sister, Iris, doing yard work and gardening with her husband. She loved being a room mother at her children's schools, where she would dazzle others with her seasonal artwork for the classrooms and snacks she would provide for special occasions, especially the tea sandwiches she made for Easter parties from bread dyed in pastel colors.

When "Hun" turned 88 years old, a birthday party was held at the American Legion in Bradley. She requested that her gifts be boxed foods, canned goods and other nonperishables for charity. The tables were piled high with items that she then donated to the Salvation Army. It was one of her proudest moments.

For many years, Sparky and Hun were winter residents of Vero Beach, Fla., and enjoyed their annual visit with their Florida friends.

Mrs. Adams believed in paying her bills on time, wearing good shoes and making her bed each day. She loved beef stroganoff, liver and onions, spinach pie and her favorite evening snack was popcorn with an apple.

Her strong will and determination helped her overcome numerous health challenges in her later years, with much pain, but without complaint, serving as an inspiration of strength and faith. Her family is proud of how she lived her life and how she always accepted life on life's terms.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bradley. She

volunteered with the Friends of the Library in Bradley, Hospice of Kankakee Valley and at Presence St. Mary's Hospital as a "tray favor lady."

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley. Burial will follow in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the Bradley Fire Department EMTs.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

NOV **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Nick and I have many fond memories of Sparky and Hun. They were both such energetic, hard working people and always had a smile. We send our thoughts and prayers to all of the family, especially Marla and her family. Sorry that we out of town and not able to attend the services.

Nick/Shirley Africano - November 21, 2015 at 09:31 PM

SI

“ Sister Inga lit a candle in memory of Marilouise "Hun" Adams



Sister Inga - November 20, 2015 at 09:09 PM

JF

“ Your family has our sympathy at this difficult time.

Joe & Carol Fritz - November 20, 2015 at 06:57 AM

RC

“ Rick & Marla Coy lit a candle in memory of Marilouise "Hun" Adams



Rick & Marla Coy - November 19, 2015 at 11:53 AM

CM

“ *Deepest sympathy to Marla & all her family.*

Cathie Miedema



Cathie (Bergan) Miedema - November 19, 2015 at 10:23 AM

TM

“ *Tom Mallaney lit a candle in memory of Marilouise "Hun" Adams*



Tom Mallaney - November 19, 2015 at 04:47 AM