



## Mary E. Pray

December 8, 1923 - July 3, 2012

Mary E. Pray, 88 of St. Anne died Tuesday, July 3, 2012 at Merkle-Knipprath Nursing Home in Clifton. She was born December 8, 1923 in Kankakee the daughter of Homer and Johanna O'Connor Allen. She married Melvin J. Pray on October 18, 1952 in Kankakee. He preceded her in death on March 29, 2001. Mrs. Pray retired from the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad after 33 years of service. She had worked at the Kankakee Station and later at the Markham yard for 13 years. Mary enjoyed traveling and animals. Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law, Angel & Dennis Meier of St. Anne and her special cousin, Robert M. Clodi of St. Anne. She is preceded in death by three brothers, Homer, Michael, and Thomas; her parents; and her dear life-long friend, Lorraine Papineau. Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral mass on Friday, July 6, 2012 at St. Anne Catholic Church. Father James Fanale will celebrate the mass. Interment will follow at St. James Cemetery in Irwin. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or Merkle-Knipprath Nursing Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. James Cemetery

W. 5000 S. Road  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 933-4172

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church  
236 N. 6th Street  
St. Anne, IL 60964  
(815) 427-8265

## Funeral Mass

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church  
236 N. 6th Street  
St. Anne, IL 60964  
(815) 427-8265

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mary was a sweet, kind, loving, precious woman and will be greatly missed. Sending sympathy and prayers to her family. Sincerely  
Vickie Page*

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**Vickie Page** - July 12, 2012 at 10:07 PM

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“ *Our condolences to Angel and Dennis for your loss.*

*Much love from your family at the Thunderbird Lodge*

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**Thunderbird Lodge** - July 04, 2012 at 11:44 AM

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“ *CAROLYN & DAVE HASKINS lit a candle in  
memory of Mary E. Pray*



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**CAROLYN & DAVE HASKINS** - July 04, 2012 at 11:03 AM