



## Mary E. Rathman

November 12, 1919 - December 19, 2017

Mary E. Rathman, age 98 of Bourbonnais, passed away Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She was born November 12, 1919 in Chebanse, the daughter of Frank & Alice Provancal Buck.

Mary married Rowland "Rollie" Rathman on November 8, 1938 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Momence. He preceded her in death in June of 1992.

Mary retired from Herscher School District after 20 years. She was a member of the Jolly Club of Limestone, the Ruth Circle, and the Gleaners Life. She volunteered at St. Mary's Seconds to Go Shop. Mary enjoyed playing cards and completing jig saw puzzles.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Randell & Merrell Rathman of Kingsland, GA; six grandchildren, Tamela Canale, Tracy (Tim) Waller, Randee Lee (Adam) Duncan, John Jr. (Dawn) Evans, and Mary Beth (Kelly) Hannan; ten great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Gertrude Buck Howe of Herscher; and one brother and sister-in-law, Don & Judy Buck of Bradley.

In addition to her husband, Mary is preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Marcelene Evans; two infant daughters at birth; three brothers, Vincent Buck, Leo Buck, and William Buck; and three sisters, Cecelia Baldwin, Loretta Buck Bebiak, and Evelyn Buck Howe.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Thursday, December 28, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in

Bourbonnais. Deacon Patrick Skelly will officiate the service.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

MM

“ Our deepest condolences to the family of Mary Rathman. We will remember Aunt Mary (and Uncle Rollie) in our prayers. Michael, Ann (Kutz), Alyssa and Carlie Manno

Michael Manno - December 27, 2017 at 02:31 PM

CL

“ I worked with Mary and Rollie Rathman at Limestone School for many years!! It was like a big family and they were a pleasure to work with!!! RIP Mary Rathman with Rollie!!! God Bless!!!



Carol LaGesse - December 22, 2017 at 01:42 AM

KF

“ To Randy, Mary Beth and Johnny and families: So sorry to hear about Aunt Mary she was always so caring and one of my favorite Aunts. Was so glad we made the trip down this past summer and had a nice visit with her. She will always have a special place in my thoughts. Kathie & Mike Fitnich & families

Kathleen Fitnich - December 21, 2017 at 05:48 PM

SU

Uncle Randy, Mary Beth and Johnny. Granny is Heaven Now and in no more pain. She lived a wonderful life and touched she who came into her life. She made a lasting print on my  forever!!! 

Susie - December 28, 2017 at 07:45 PM

RS

“ Our parents lived near the Rathmans in Limestone. When our grandfather, Luther Miller died in 1942 they were some of the first neighbors to help our Grandma Anna Nache Miller and Aunt Nelda deal with life. Dad, LaVern Miller, lived across the road and attended Rathman School and years later bought his school desk and some others as mementos of that era. Mom's family, the Arnolds, lived north of the Rathmans and when she married Dad in 1938 they lived NW of the Rathmans farming and he hauled milk for Rollie. They always spoke kindly and with respect of the Rathmans. He was killed in a truck accident in June 1973 and she passed away 1 June 3013.

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**Rich Miller Sr** - December 21, 2017 at 04:38 PM

MG

“ God bless you Mrs. Rathman. You kept me going for 20 years. Your kindness will always be remembered.

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**Mr. G** - December 21, 2017 at 10:36 AM