



## Mary Ellen Burnett

January 14, 1926 - January 13, 2005

Mary Ellen Burnett, 78, of Kankakee, died Thursday (Jan. 13, 2005) at Riverside Medical Center. Visitation will be from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais, and from 10 a.m. Monday at the First Presbyterian Church in Kankakee, until the 11 a.m. services. Rev. Alan Good will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Riverside Medical Center Foundation, 350 N. Wall St., Kankakee, IL 60901. Mrs. Burnett was a registered nurse and homemaker. She was also a volunteer for the American Red Cross. She was born Jan. 14, 1926, in St. Charles, Mo., the daughter of Harry and Ellen Hollrah Hoelscher. Her parents are deceased. Her husband, Dr. John C. Burnett, whom she married Aug. 16, 1947, in Chicago, died Jan. 14, 1998. Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Dr. John C. Jr. and Linda LaBeau Burnett of Rochester, Minn., Henry Guy "Harry" and Helena Burnett of New York, N.Y.; one daughter, Mary Elise Burnett of Kankakee; and four grandchildren, John Samuel (Maya) Burnett, Lesley Burnett, Henry Guy Burnett Jr. and Renata Burnett. Three brothers, Harry, James and Thomas Hoelscher, are deceased. She was a graduate of Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., and Lutheran General Hospital School of Nursing, St. Louis, Mo. Mrs. Burnett was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Kankakee, where she was a deacon. She was a member of the Kankakee Kultivators; the Crusaders; the Culver Mothers Association, where she was a former board member; and the Kankakee County Medical Auxiliary, where she was a former

president.

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“ *Phil and I are so sorry we were unable to pay our respects to all of you. ĩ½We were in Arizona for a medical meeting and just returned late on 1/19. ĩ½We have always been so grateful for Mary Ellen and John's kindness to us when we moved here in 1980. ĩ½We had fun with the Andersons and Manns back then, exploring Chicago restaurants and getting to know each other. ĩ½As a member of the medical auxiliary and Crusaders, I will especially miss Mary Ellen as she was a loyal member to both and we shared many cups of tea and many good times of both learning and serving the community. ĩ½Special good wishes to Cork and Linda--we hope your family is doing well. ĩ½We are sorry we didn't get to see you but please call if you need anything. ĩ½Laura Hays##imported-begin##Phil and Laura Hays##imported-end##*

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“ Although we did not know Mrs Burnett directly, Her daughter was our mothers attorney...But more important than that,Mary Elise was my mothers friend and confidant.....and for that we send our condolences to Mary Elise. We Thank you for all you have done for us. And may God always bless you for your work.##imported-begin##Terry Cordes##imported-end##

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“ Mary Elise,<br><br>We just wanted you to know we are very sorry for your loss and will be praying for God's love upon you and your family.<br><br>If I can do anything ,please call us<br><br>With God's Blessings<br><br>Tim Cindy Cordes and Family##imported-begin##Tim and Cindy Cordes##imported-end##

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“ just wanted to say, that she was a wonderful women, very sweet and kind .im on the waitstaff at westwood. and i loved seeing her at dinner time with her friends the swanels. she always got a fruit plate for desert and we always had them made up for her. i ½she will be miss by all the west wood staff. and we are so sorry for your loss .##imported-begin##shallen vanderplough##imported-end##

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“ We hold you all in our prayers during this time. We got to meet Mary Ellen while at the Xray Dept of Riverside Hospital, she and Wayne were both having there legs checked . As soon as we saw here we knew she was Mary Elises Mom, (the resemblance is there) . <br><br><br>I said Mrs. Burnett we love your daughter<br><br>she is such a sweetheart , she looked at us and smiled and said "yes she is and I love her too".<br><br><br><br>We thought about this as we read of her passing, and again we smiled as we remembered the look on her face . <br><br>She was obviously a very blessed woman<br><br>and so humbled by that blessing.<br><br><br><br>There is a saying that in the end ours<br><br>is not the Love we lost , It truely is the Love that we will left behind. <br><br><br><br>Peace be with All of you ĩ½<br><br>##imported-begin##Wayne & Gina DeYoung##imported-end##

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“ What a loss to our community! She was a wonderful lady and will be missed by all.##imported-begin##Mary Thomson##imported-end##

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“ We were so sorry to learn of the loss of your Mother. Please know that there are many of us who are thinking of all of you in your time of sorrow. <br><br><br><br>We also have such fond memories of your father which are now are brought to mind as we say goodbye, yet again. <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>The Rudy Brault family##imported-begin##mr & Mrs Rudy Brault##imported-end##

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“ I am truly sorry to read of the passing of Mary Ellen. ĩ½While our relationship was only through church it was a very comfortable and friendly relationship. ĩ½She always had such nice things to say and good advice to share. ĩ½I shall miss her.##imported-begin##Chloe Frooninckx##imported-end##

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“ I am so saddened to hear that Mrs. Burnett has passed. She was a delight as a client. I was raising my children and she always had wonderful advice. I always asked her how she raised doctors and lawyers who were wonderful children and never had problems with her children. She'd always say she had a wonderful husband and that her family was a gift that she treated as such. She gave me wonderful recipes, shared her traditions and was always concerned about my life. When my first grandchild died at birth she came to the shop and let me know that she was thinking of me and praying for me. She was a lady in all senses of the word. ĩ½She really was a beautiful woman and I know her warmth, dignity and beauty lives in all of you. My sympathies to you.##imported-begin##Lou Handy##imported-end##

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“ I want to offer my prayers to your dear family at this time. Even though your mother is celebrating her New Life, the Lord is able to sustain you during this time of earthly loss of someone so dear to you. As you treasure the memories of your mother, may you sense the strength of His Spirit. With Thoughts & Prayers,  
Ranelle Eigsti

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