



## Noreen Angeline Saathoff

December 24, 1929 - April 15, 2021

Noreen Angeline Saathoff, age 91, of Irwin passed away Thursday, April 15, 2021 at her home. She was born December 24, 1929 in Clifton, the daughter of Erwin & Irene (Wauthier) Cailteux. Noreen married Alvin Saathoff on May 11, 1957 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in L'Erable. He preceded her in death on November 26, 2002.

Noreen grew up on a farm and learned at a young age how to work hard, which she carried throughout her life. She left for Chicago after graduating from Ash-Clif High School to attend St. Xavier College & Mercy Hospital Nursing School where she earned a BSN degree. Noreen enjoyed the city life and fondly remembers taking a streetcar to classes from her dorm. She began her nursing career at St. Mary's Hospital as a Pediatric Charge Nurse and teaching Pediatric Nursing. She later worked as a nursing instructor at Kankakee Community College and had worked at St. Mary's Hospital for 44 years. She retired from Home Care in 1995, which was the highlight of her nursing career. She was a loving care giver to her husband until his passing and then began her volunteer career at St. Mary's Hospital in 2006 ending shortly before her 90th birthday. Noreen dearly loved caring for others and lived a life dedicated to others. Her biggest joy was her family, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She participated in their events and accomplishments and loved sewing and baking for them. Gardening and canning were always a huge part of her life. She had a deep love for the church and a rich, prayer-filled faith life. Noreen prayed many Holy Rosaries

for her family and friends and attended St. James Church, where she volunteered as a parish nurse and was an active CCW member. She earned Women of the Year on two different occasions. Her generosity, love, and scotcheroos will be greatly missed.

Surviving are her children, Marianne (Mike) Jamison of St. Charles, Mark Saathoff of Fort Madison, IA, Michael Saathoff of Murfreesboro, TN, Mary Beth (Ed) O'Connor of Herscher, and Marie Lynn Devlin of Darien; grandchildren, Eric (Kelly) Jamison, Kaylee Jamison, Travis (Kelli) Saathoff, Alisha Saathoff, Emily (Matt) Mackanin, Katie Saathoff, Heather (Josh) Wakey, Brennan O'Connor, Chad (Becky) O'Connor, Jason Devlin, and Joseph Devlin; great-grandchildren, Morgan Jamison, Stella Jamison, Leah Mackanin, Bennet Mackanin, Henry Mackanin, Payton Lamie, Bryant Lamie, Jarrett Wakey, Kendahl Wakey, Parker Wakey, Holden Wakey, and Declan O'Connor; brother, Myron (Linda) Cailteux, sister, Carol (Jerry) Deany; brothers-in-law, Wayne Jordan and Leo (Bonita) Saathoff. In addition to her husband, Alvin Saathoff, Noreen is preceded in death by her parents; one brother and sister-in-law, Harold (Sue) Cailteux; one sister, Dorothy Jordan; one daughter-in-law, Eunice Saathoff; and nephews, Rodney Cailteux, Richard Cailteux, and Doug Jordan.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin. Please wear a face mask and practice social distancing guidelines. Rev. Ron Neitzke will celebrate the mass. Burial will follow at St. James Cemetery in Irwin.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

# Cemetery Details

## St. James Cemetery in Irwin

Irwin, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **20**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home  
1480 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Funeral Mass

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

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin  
4372 Main St.  
Irwin, IL 60901

# Tribute Wall

SN

“ Our deepest sympathy to Noreen's family. We knew Noreen through St. Mary's Hospital. She always had a ready smile and was so pleasant and caring. She will be missed by all.

Larry & Sandy Nims

Sandra Nims - April 30, 2021 at 09:22 PM

TB

“ Noreen was a super sweet lady who I met at St. Mary's Hospital and enjoyed talking to while passing her in the hallways. Also, Alvin & Noreen were friends of my Grandparents (Pearl & Betty Cox). Our Deepest Sympathy to her family. 🕊️



Tim & Vickie (Cox) Bertrand - April 28, 2021 at 02:50 PM

KC

“ I am a retired nurse that worked with Noreen, mostly in Home Health. She was a dedicated and very caring nurse for her patients. She also was great with all of the staff. Her dedication really shone when she went back to the hospital as a volunteer. My thoughts are with her family.

Kay Clendenin - April 21, 2021 at 07:40 PM

MJ

Thank you for the kind words ❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:51 PM

JO

“ Sincere sympathy to the Saathoff family. I have so many fond memories of your mom. She was such a sweet lady.  
Joni Wendling Steinkamp

Joni - April 21, 2021 at 08:58 AM

MJ

Thank you❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:51 PM

SC

“ We remember Noreen from family reunions. She was such a lovely person. We will remember her always with love. The Kansas Cousins, Ron Cailteux and family, Myron Cailteux and family

Sharon Cailteux - April 20, 2021 at 11:24 AM

MJ

Thank you for the kind words❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:52 PM

SU

“ Susan lit a candle in memory of Noreen Angeline Saathoff



Susan - April 20, 2021 at 10:27 AM

SU

Noreen was a very special lady and I will miss her very much. Prayers to the family in your loss.

Susan - April 20, 2021 at 10:28 AM

MJ

*Thank you*❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:53 PM

CH

“ We want to send our sympathy to Noreen’s family. She was a brave and special lady and will be missed. So glad we were able to attend her 90th birthday party and share in that special day. Roger and Charlotte Barwegen

CharlotteBarwegen - April 20, 2021 at 09:47 AM

MJ

*Thank you for the memories*❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:53 PM

MO

“ Noreen was a great neighbor and a very special friend. She was a very caring and loving person to all and always took time to be there for you. She loved God and portrayed it in her daily life. She was proud of her family and shared many memories of them. She will be missed! Our sincere condolences to her family. Mary and Jerry O Connor

Mary and Jerry OConnor - April 20, 2021 at 02:03 AM

MJ

*Thank you for the sweet note, you were such good friends to her*❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:54 PM

DF

“ Condolences to all of the family. My sincere regrets that I cannot attend her visitation.

Diane Frankenhoff - April 19, 2021 at 07:54 PM

AM

*My condolences to the family. My mom and Noreen were close.*

Ann Manjarrez - April 19, 2021 at 08:45 PM

MJ

*Thank you* ❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:54 PM



“ *Noreen was friendly and encouraged me to share in the rosary at St James on Wed AM. She was very sweet and talked to me about nursing or my farm. I will miss her.*



Lori-Ann Bruer - April 19, 2021 at 06:30 PM

MJ

*Thank you for the sweet note* ❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 23, 2021 at 01:55 PM

AF

“ *Your family has our sincere sympathy at this most difficult time. Noreen was a fine lady. Many fond memories.*

A Joseph Fritz - April 19, 2021 at 05:36 PM

MJ

*Thank you* ❤️

Marianne Jamison - April 22, 2021 at 09:42 PM

KS

“ *Condolences to Noreen's family. She was a wonderful lady. I knew her from StMarys hospital. Prayers.*

*Kathy Sullivan*

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**Kathy Sullivan** - April 19, 2021 at 04:00 PM

MJ

*Thank you* ❤️

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**Marianne Jamison** - April 22, 2021 at 04:06 PM

LP

“ *It was always a pleasure to see Noreen when she served as a volunteer at Amida/St. Mary's hospital. Her face would light up when she recognized a familiar face whether you were a neighbor, former patient under her care or in my case, a distant relative from the L'Erable area. She would gladly walk you to wherever you needed to go inquiring about your family along the way. Her family and her faith in God were always evident in her life.*

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**Lois J Phelps** - April 19, 2021 at 03:35 PM

MJ

*Thank you for the beautiful memory* ❤️

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**Marianne Jamison** - April 22, 2021 at 04:07 PM