



Phyllis A. Beckner

March 25, 1935 - February 15, 2026

Phyllis A. Beckner, age 90, a lifelong resident of Kankakee, passed away Sunday, February 15, 2026, at the Villas at Herscher. She was born on March 25, 1935, in Kankakee, the daughter of Rosewell and Ezarine (LaRoche) Arseneau. Phyllis married Richard Beckner on December 11, 1953. He preceded her in death on September 14, 2010.

Phyllis enjoyed reading and completing crossword puzzles. She was a volunteer at the Asbury Thrift Store in Kankakee. Phyllis enjoyed her time at the Villas at Herscher, meeting new friends and participating in activities. She took great pride in taking care of her family. Most of all, she loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Phyllis was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee.

Surviving is one daughter, Kris (Lonnie) Arthur of Bourbonnais; four grandchildren, Andrea (Eric) Middleton, Melissa (Jared) Miller, Stacy Arthur (Steven Czop), Lindsey (Curtiss) Young; ten great grandchildren; Carol Beckner, special niece that lived next door, Donnie Beckner, special nephew who helped Phyllis over the years, and several other nieces and nephews.

Phyllis is preceded in death by her husband, Richard; her parents; and two brothers, Bill and Mike Arseneau.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Private services will be held.

Inurnment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to United Hospice, Inc.

Arrangements are by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home. Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Kathy Lott lit a candle in memory of Phyllis A. Beckner*



Kathy Lott - 3 hours ago

CD

“ *This is Carol Desch, the volunteer visitor at the Villas. I found Phyllis and her family that I met a very positive group. Phyllis raised a family to be proud of. She did an excellent job of making the best of her late life. I enjoyed visiting with her. She is already missed. I especially appreciated the birthday card from her and Kris just a short time ago.*



CAROL M DESCH - February 19 at 09:10 AM



“ *Aunt Phyllis, I'll miss you so much. I'll miss all the times spent visiting w/you at your house. I lived out in the old neighborhood for 50 years. We did get to see each other more times than can be counted. I'm sad, that I didn't get to spend more w/you in Herscher. Miss you always, Donnie Beckner.*

Donald Beckner - February 17 at 03:59 PM

DB

“ *You will never be forgotten, Miss Phyllis. Until we meet again, sweet lady* 💕💕

Denise Baker - February 17 at 03:31 PM

JW

“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



Jeffery E. Wallace - February 17 at 02:28 PM

RO

i am a robot

robot - April 07 at 01:04 PM

DC

“ *Dear Chris and family, so sorry to hear about your mother. Remembering the good times from our bowling days! Prayers for all of you! Sincerely, Donna Casino*

Donna Casino - February 17 at 12:00 PM

DK

“ *My sincere sympathy to Kris & her Family. Your Mom & Dad were two of my favorite Friends & weekly customers at Home Star Bank; traveled on many trips with the GoldStar Club. Hold on to all of your beautiful Memories you shared.*



Donna Karr - February 17 at 10:13 AM

CL

“ *I still remember going to Watseka to watch Dick the bruiser and Bobo Brazil with you and Uncle Dicky. You will always be remembered and truly missed. We love you Aunt Foo.*

Christopher Loyd - February 16 at 10:04 PM

NW

“ *Kris ,Lonnie and family: Sending prayers and hugs to all during this sad time. RIP Aunt Phyllis.*



Nancy Beckner Ruel and Gary Weber - February 16 at 07:41 PM

KS

“ *Phyllis was a pleasure to be around. She was always out for activities and always had a big heart, big smile and kept us in laughter! She enjoyed participating and being around others. She will be dearly missed. Kim & Jim Smith*

Kimberly Smith - February 16 at 01:47 PM