



Phyllis E. Schnell

September 18, 1935 - October 14, 2019

Phyllis E. Schnell, 84, of Oro Valley, AZ, formerly of Kankakee, passed away on Monday, October 14, 2019 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. She was born on September 18, 1935 in Kankakee, the daughter of Theodore and Edna Walter Martin. She married Glen Schnell on July 20, 1957 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. He preceded her in death on November 24, 2016.

Phyllis retired from Sears. She was a current member of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Oro Valley, AZ and a former member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. Phyllis enjoyed sewing and collecting dolls. She was an avid gardener and belonged to a gardening club in Sun City, AZ. Phyllis was an animal lover. She especially loved spending time with her family.

Phyllis is survived by two daughters and one son-in-law, Patricia (Michael) Hatch, of Kankakee and Connie Gifford, of Brewerton, NY; two granddaughters, Amanda (Nick) Sandt, of Hebron, MD and Melody Gifford, of Spencer, NY; two great-grandsons, Cole Sandt and Zachary Sandt; one sister, Sharon Riley, of Kankakee; and one sister-in-law, Betty Schnell, of Manteno.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Glen; and one granddaughter, Miranda Gifford.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held from 10:00 am until the time of the 12:00 noon memorial service on Friday, October 18, 2019 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. Pastor Michael Hanel will officiate the service. Arrangements are being handled by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Humane Foundation or the ASPCA.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

OCT 18. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
348 E. Merchant
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-0312
<http://www.stpaulslutheran.net>

Memorial Service

OCT 18. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
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Tribute Wall

SC

“ To Patty and Connie, how sad I was to hear of your Mom's death. Losing these old ones, is extremely painful. We are ten years out from my Dad's death and still not able to comprehend it. What fun times we always had together, our two families! You were my favorite Kankakee cousins. :) I can remember every detail of your house and your rooms, and the elaborate games we would concoct. Your mom meant so much to my mom (and we always made the stop to see Edna and Ted, whenever we were in town), and I'm pretty sure she had the same exact shirt your mom is wearing in that picture. Glad she will be at rest in AZ. I am pondering retiring there some day myself.

Hugs and sympathy to you at this time. I'm glad she was near when she passed.

Love,
Susan Craig

Susan J Craig - November 05, 2019 at 03:28 PM

PG

“ Dear Pat, Connie and families,

So very sorry to hear of your loss. May God's love and strong arms bring you comfort and peace.

Pam Grosso

Pam Grosso - October 18, 2019 at 12:03 PM

DG

“ *My deepest condolences to the Shnell family. I really enjoyed working with Phyllis. She was always a good friend to me at Sears.*

Donna Griffith



Donna Griffith - October 17, 2019 at 07:42 PM

JE

“ *To the Phyllis Schnell family: I'm very sorry for your loss. You have my sympathy. I wish I could be there in person to pay my respects, but am unable to so do. Please know your family is in my thoughts & prayers.*

Julie Enright - October 16, 2019 at 11:23 AM

JE

“ *Julie Enright lit a candle in memory of Phyllis E. Schnell*



Julie Enright - October 16, 2019 at 11:21 AM

DC

“ *Pat and family- My deep and heartfelt sympathy for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

Diane E. Clark - October 15, 2019 at 10:50 PM