



Ray Benoit

July 2, 1909 - December 6, 2009

Visitation for Ray J. Benoit, 100, of Kankakee, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. Father Richard Pighini will officiate. Entombment will be in Mount Calvary Mausoleum. Memorials may be made to Maternity BVM Catholic Church, or to St. Patrick Catholic Church. He died Sunday (Dec. 6, 2009) at his home. Mr. Benoit retired from Ray J. Benoit Construction, where he worked for 50 years (1930-1973). He was born July 2, 1909 in Bourbonnais, the son of Joseph D. and Salinise Lambert Benoit. His wife, the former Leonie June "Sally" Regnier, whom he married Sept. 2, 1931, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee, died May 13, 1994. He was a former member of the Elks and a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus. He enjoyed golfing, hunting and fishing. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Pam Benoit of Palm City, Fla.; one daughter and son-in-law, Phyllis and Fred Hendron of Kankakee; nine grandchildren, Douglas, Sally Rae, Scott and Michael Hendron; Jay and Allison Benoit, Andrew Benoit, Timothy and Linda Benoit, Daniel and Raquel Benoit, Kristen and Dean Hoppes and their mother, Diane Macaluso; 14 great-grandchildren. His parents and seven brothers and six sisters are deceased.

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“ Ray enjoyed a marvelous and productive life with a great family.
½We offer prayers for Ray as well as for his family. ½We know there will be a massive hole in your Christmas Season without him.
½But Ray would not want you to enjoy the season any less.
½Celebrate his life and may God be with you all.##imported-begin##Pat and Bruce Huot##imported-end##

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“ Fred, Phyllis, Sally, Doug, Scott and Mike,

 ½Our heart goes out to you this week. Ray was a singularly wonderful man, who will be missed by us all. To think of him by Sal's side once more is one we hold onto. Like Andy with his Papa, Ray and Sal were as one.

 ½If there is anything we can do, please let us know. You are the most wonderful part of our family. Our hearts are linked with yours.

 ½Love and caring,

 ½Matt and lola##imported-begin##lola & Matthew Gomez##imported-end##

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“ your father/grandfather was a very caring person. he was a strong and thoughtful gentleman, never saying a mean word. he will be greatly missed. my deepest prayers and thoughts are with all of the family.##imported-begin##theresa trusty##imported-end##

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“ How sad to read of Mr. Benoit's passing! I know he and Sally are together now and rejoicing at their reunion. May God bless you with peace and wonderful memories.##imported-begin##Mary (Otten) Thomson##imported-end##

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“ Fred, Phyllis, Sally, Doug, Scott and Mike -- we join you in sorrow, but also join you in remembering the wonderful life Ray led/ Sal has her bridge partner again and I'm betting a round of golf is in the offing as well. Please know that we are thinking of you today and giving thanks to have known such a caring and thoughtful man. We cherish those memories.##imported-begin##Steve and Deb Regnier##imported-end##

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“ Uncle Ray, you will be missed. *½*
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½ We had such great memories at your house?...some rather embarrassing (laundry chute comes to mind! lol) *½*
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½ Always a gentleman and wonderful godfather. I will never forget when you offered \$10 per mile for a charity fundraiser and I walked the entire 30 mile course. *½*
½ Your generous contribution made the blisters all worthwhile! *½*
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½ I hope you are enjoying golf and bridge with Aunt Sal and your family in Heaven.
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½ My thoughts and prayers are with your family.
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½ ##imported-begin##Karen Kern##imported-end##

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“ My hero and dear Grandpa! I love you and
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½ will hold in my heart forever! *½*
½ Sally Rae##imported-begin##Sally Hendron##imported-end##

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“ dEAR fAMILY,, I am sorry for your loss ,I would like to say that I met Mr. Benoit from working at Little Corporal for almost 9 years... He was very kind and very pleasant to talk with and to work for *½*
½ always took time to speak and ask how things were going.. He will be deeply missed and I am glad I got the pleasure of getting to know him... My prayers are with you... Angie##imported-begin##Angela Devine##imported-end##

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“ Dear Benoit and Hendron Family,

So sorry to hear the news about Mr. Ray J. What a wonderful life he was able to enjoy! I know Doug & Sally loved their Grandparents as I'm sure all his grandkids & great-grandkids did. Ray J was the real deal a truly nice guy. How rare in this world we live in.###imported-begin##Max Egerton###imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family. Uncle Ray was a great man and a pretty good golfer he will truly be missed.###imported-begin##Janet Wynne Rust###imported-end##

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