



## Rex Murphy

September 1, 1924 - November 20, 2010

Rex A. Murphy, 86, of Kankakee, died Saturday (Nov. 20, 2010) at Riverside Medical Center. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. Tuesday until the 6 p.m. memorial service at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. Inurnment will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Bradley Royale Health Care Center. Mr. Murphy was involved in many ventures. He retired in 1986 as a real estate broker, and was a member of the Union Local 176 Electricians. He ran Potter Electric from 1953-1961. He and his wife, Ellen, started the Kankakee Telephone Answering Service, and he also built several apartment complexes in the area. He was born in 1924, in Cleburn, Texas, the son of Rex A. and Betty Thompson Murphy. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II aboard three ships in the European and Pacific theaters of operation. He was an avid trapshooter. Mr. Murphy and his wife loved to travel and had visited most every state. Surviving are his wife, the former Ellen Potter, whom he married in 1942 in Kankakee; one daughter and son-in-law, Bonnie and David Pinnow, of Kankakee; one daughter-in-law, Jolene Murphy, of Bourbonnais; three grandchildren, Kim Larsen, of Bourbonnais, Patrick Murphy, of Colorado, Rex A. Murphy V, of Bourbonnais; and three great-grandchildren, Claire Murphy, of Colorado, and Lacie and Tricia Haggard, of Bourbonnais. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Rex.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **23**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home  
1480 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
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## Service

NOV **23**. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Name: Ralph & Nat Ferrari*

*Relation: Family Friend*

*Tribute: Ellen, Bonnie & Family: So sorry to read about your Dad's recent death. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Bonnie, please express our sincerest sympathy to your Mother. Sorry we can't be there in person. Take Care, God Bless.*

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“ *Name: Patrick Murphy*

*Relation: grandson*

*Tribute: Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Rex Murphy.*

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“ *Name: Jennie & Eric Brooks & family*

*Relation: niece & family*

*Tribute: Dear Ellen and Bonnie, We wish we could be there to say our goodbyes and give you all a hug. We are all thinking of you. Love, Jennie, Eric, Ella, Chris and Charlie Brooks*

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“ *Name: Marv & Linda Odette*

*Tribute: Bonnie, We just read the paper and our prayers go out to you and your family.*

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“ *Name: Alice Wasson*

*Tribute: Bonnie my heart goes out to you and Your family, especially your Mom. I only knew your family for a short time, but I cherish my friendship with you.*

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“ *Name: LARRY & CHRIS HERSCHER*

*Name: Meg Wietsma and Family*

*Relation: Niece*

*Tribute: We'll miss you, Uncle Rex. We hope you're more comfortable now, and Aunt Ellen will be taken care of.*

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