



Rhea B. Surprenant

October 7, 1919 - December 1, 2016

Rhea B. Surprenant, age 97, of St. George, passed away Thursday, December 1, 2016 at her home.

She was born October 7, 1919 in St. George, the daughter of Levi & Louise Bouchard Blanchette.

Rhea married Lawrence Surprenant on August 26, 1944 at St. George Church. He preceded her in death October 11, 1992.

She was a lifelong member of St. George Church and had been a member of the CCW. Rhea was a farmer's wife and also helped her son, David, for many years. Rhea was a member of the Farm Bureau Women's Committee and a former member of Women of the Moose. She enjoyed gardening and was an excellent cook.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, David & Susan Surprenant of St. George; two daughters and two sons-in-law, Reatta & Fred Gohlke of Chebanse and Carol & Jim Betourne of Crete; six grandchildren, Brendan Surprenant, Christopher Surprenant, Natalie & Todd Mesewicz, Nathan & Alina Gohlke, Aaron & Nicole Delabre, and Heather Delabre; and four great-grandchildren, Luke and baby Mesewicz, Mary Gohlke, and Lucca Delabre.

In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents; and ten

siblings.

Visitation will be held 9:00 a.m. until the funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at St. George Catholic Church. Rev. Dan Belanger will celebrate the funeral Mass.

Interment will follow at St. George Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. George Catholic Church or Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

St. George Cemetery

5272 E. 5000 N. Rd.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 929-6363

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. George Catholic Church
5272 E. 5000 N. Rd.
St. George, IL 60914

Funeral Mass

DEC 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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St. George, IL 60914

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Dave and Sue,
We were so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. I can remember all the wonderful times you and her had at the Homestead over the many, many years.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Please let us know if we can do anything for you.
With love,

Terry and Ruth Linskey

Ruth Linskey - December 10, 2016 at 06:06 PM

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“ To the Rhea Surprenant family we send our deepest sympathy. Ms Surprenant as I knew her growing up was a hard working home maker and supporting "Matriarch" of the family. I'm sure she's working hard up in heaven too. To Rheatta and Carol, the girls, and David, be thankful you enjoyed her for such along life and try to get through the tough time the best you can.

Tom & Deb Longtin and girls

Tom Longtin - December 07, 2016 at 01:43 PM

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“ We are sorry for your loss. In are in our prayers.
Bill and Colleen Regnier

Colleen Regnier - December 02, 2016 at 04:24 PM

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“ Rhea was and absolutely beautiful, funny, caring person... My late husband and myself always enjoyed her stories and her funny wit. Rhea will be missed by all. My prayers got out to the family.
Lisa and Mitchell Ferreira

Lisa Ferreira - December 02, 2016 at 12:22 PM