Rheba Darlene Bertrand

July 3, 1937 - October 21, 2025

Rheba Darlene Bertrand, age 88, of Bonfield passed away Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was born July 3, 1937 in Newton, IL, Jasper County, the daughter of W. Dale & Anna G. (Jenkins) Harvey. Rheba married Eugene A. Bertrand on June 11, 1955 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Goodrich.

Rheba was a homemaker. She loved cooking and enjoyed sewing. She helped run the family farm.

Rheba was a parishioner of St. James Catholic Church in Irwin.

Surviving are her husband of 70 years, Eugene A. Bertrand of Bourbonnais; three sons, Jeffery (Pam) Bertrand of Limestone, Larry (Chris) Bertrand of Fowler, IN, and James (Tiffany) Bertrand of Spring, TX; one daughter, Michelle (Daniel) Meyer of Peoria, AZ; thirteen grandchildren; and twenty great-grandchildren. Rheba is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Marilyn Emling.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, October 24 , 2025 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Additional visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of the 10 a.m. funeral Mass on Saturday, October 25, 2025 at St. James Catholic Church in Irwin. Entombment will follow at All Saints Mausoleum in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Visitation

OCT **25**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. James the Apostle Catholic Church
Irwin Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-5443

Funeral Mass

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GR

I remember being at the Shiveree following their wedding in 1955 - one and only -and that has stuck in my memory . Condolences to Gene and family from farm neighbor way back.

George Rivard - November 01, 2025 at 01:32 PM

CG

Cary - Bourbonnais Grove lit a candle in memory of Rheba Darlene Bertrand

Cary - Bourbonnais Grove - October 23, 2025 at 02:10 PM

SP

I worked with her for several years at Dr Long's office. She was a kind and funny lady. My deepest sympathy to Gene and the family

Sharon R Perkins - October 23, 2025 at 01:23 PM

WC

My condolences to the family. Wouter

Wouter Conings - October 23, 2025 at 09:04 AM

MU

Monnie Ulrich lit a candle in memory of Rheba Darlene Bertrand

Monnie Ulrich - October 22, 2025 at 06:39 PM

MU

Darlene with her beautiful smile and grand sense of humor, always a joy to be around ❤️

Monnie Ulrich - October 22, 2025 at 06:55 PM

MaryAnn Senesac lit a candle in memory of Rheba Darlene Bertrand

MaryAnn Senesac - October 22, 2025 at 05:38 PM