



Richard J. Winkel Sr.

July 23, 1931 - May 16, 2012

Visitation for Richard J. Winkel Sr., 80, of Bourbonnais, will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, and from noon Monday at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, until the 1 p.m. funeral services. Pastor Patty Heath will

officiate. Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, Good Shepherd Manor or to the donor's choice. He died Wednesday (May 16, 2012) at Riverside Medical Center,

Kankakee. Mr. Winkel was elected Kankakee County auditor in 1968, an office he held for 29 years, retiring in December 1997. He formerly worked as a district manager with Farmers

Insurance for about 10 years, at the Roper Corporation and as a farmer. He was born July 23, 1931, in Chebanse, the son of Edward H. and Dorothy Nordmeyer Winkel. He was

a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving as a military policeman during the Korean conflict. He was very involved in Our Savior Lutheran Church, where he was a past chairman, deacon of the congregation and a Sunday school teacher. He was a leader of Cub Scout Pack 327 for several years. He was a 1949 graduate of Chebanse High School and a great handyman. He loved his family and working in his yard. He enjoyed painting pictures. At one time he had seven grandchildren in the military all at the same time. Surviving are his

wife, the former Betty M. Reardanz, of Bourbonnais, whom he married Nov. 19, 1955; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Richard J. Jr. and Debra Winkel, of Urbana, and Ronald J. Winkel, of Kankakee; two daughters, Deborah L. Greco, of New Market, Md., and Janice M. Heneghan, of Houston, Texas; 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; two sisters and one brother-in-law, Edna Witheft, of Herscher, and Lois and Norman Cooper, of St. Anne; and three sisters-in-law, Effie Winkel, of Detroit, Mich., Donna Winkel, of Melbourne, Fla., and Betty Panozzo, of Kankakee. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Raymond, Robert, Edward and Kenneth; and two sisters, Dorothy and Marge.

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, Good Shepherd Manor - www.goodshepherdmanor.org or to the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

MAY 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran
975 W. Brookmont Blvd.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1848
<http://www.oursaviorlutheran.info/>

Funeral Service

MAY **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran
975 W. Brookmont Blvd.
Kankakee, IL 60901
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Tribute Wall

JH

“ *Mr. Winkel, my old Sunday School teacher many years ago. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. He will be missed.*

Jon Hinkleman and family

Jon Hinkleman - May 24, 2012 at 11:31 AM

AN

“ *On behalf of Fr. Mario Quejadas and the parishioners of St. Martin of Tours Kankakee, I would like to express our sincerest condolences to your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

May God's blessings of love and peace be upon you.

Aimee Flor Nellas - May 21, 2012 at 01:07 PM



GH

“ *Gary Hess lit a candle in memory of Richard J. Winkel Sr.*

Gary Hess - May 21, 2012 at 12:40 PM



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Aimee Flor Nellas - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 PM

AC

“ it has been a very long time since i've seen the Winkel family.. i am very sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved husband/father. I did not know him well, but i do remember he was a kind and loving man. My deepest sympathy goes out to your entire family, God Bless all of you,



*Sincerely
Alexia Susan Chambers
Bourbonnais, Il*

Alexia Susan Chambers - May 20, 2012 at 03:32 PM

WL

“ Dear Mrs. Winkel, Debbie, Jan, Ron and Rick,
So very saddened and sorry to hear about
your husband and dad. What a truly
wonderful person he was! One of a rare few
who was genuine and good to his very core. I
was one of the many children who learned their faith at your dad's
instruction. He will always hold a special place in my heart, and the
hearts of so many. I will keep you faithfully in my prayers. May you
feel your dad near to you and be comforted that he is close to you
and with you still.
May God bless and comfort you.



With love,
Wendy Ludwig

Wendy Ludwig - May 20, 2012 at 02:12 PM

KW

“ Kaye Wallace lit a candle in memory of
Richard J. Winkel Sr.



Kaye Wallace - May 20, 2012 at 02:07 PM

JM

“ What a flood of memories! So sad it takes a moment like this to
remind us all of the fun times. Miss him, enjoy the memories and
take comfort in knowing you will all be together again in a far better
place. Love to you from Judge and Jan michela

Jand and Johnfred Michela - May 19, 2012 at 04:33 PM

CG

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with the family. Met Mr. Winkel several years ago as a member of the area media; he was always such a gentleman.

-Carl Gerdovich...Watseka

carl Gerdovich - May 19, 2012 at 01:34 PM

MG

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Your dad & husband was such a nice guy! I'm sorry but I will not be able to come up for the services, but please be assured I will be thinking of you all and remembering fond neighborhood memories! Love and blessings to you all! Margie Grimes

Margie Grimes - May 18, 2012 at 10:02 PM

IC

I know you all will miss him. He was so good to our family when we needed it. My sympathies to you all . I miss living out there sometimes with the feeling of close neighbors. Love to all .loneChappell

lone Grimes Chappell - May 18, 2012 at 10:27 PM

KW

Dear Betty, So sorry to hear that Dick passed. We have thought of you both often over the years with such good memories. Thoughts and prayers and hugs. Kaye and Byron Wallace

Kaye Wallace - May 20, 2012 at 02:06 PM