



Rita O'Connor

February 14, 1919 - November 8, 2006

Rita O'Connor -- Kankakee Visitation for Rita Helen O'Connor, 87, of Kankakee, will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in west Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Monday at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, of which she was a parishioner. Burial will be in St. James the Apostle Cemetery, Irwin. Memorials may be made to Prairieview Lutheran Home, Danforth, or for Masses. She died Wednesday (Nov. 8, 2006) at Prairieview Lutheran Home. She was born Feb. 14, 1919, in Buckingham, the daughter of Timothy B. and Alice M. King Buckley. Her husband, Joseph P. O'Connor, whom she married Jan. 5, 1938, died Dec. 7, 1987. Mrs. O'Connor and her husband farmed in the Irwin area for 31 years. She was an employee of the Bear Brand Hosiery Factory in Kankakee and a cook for seven years at Limestone Elementary School. Her hobbies were sewing and cultivating African violets. Prior to her residency at Prairieview Lutheran Home, she was a resident at Provena Heritage Village. Surviving are her children and their spouses, Jeannene and Richard Mailloux of Winfield, Carol and Lawrence Bishop of Edwardsville, Patrick J. O'Connor of Kankakee, and Richard M. O'Connor of Chicago; 13 grandchildren, Jeffrey Mailloux, Denise Hixon, Kevin Mailloux, Kimberly Noble, Kristin Mailloux, Mark P. O'Connor, Darrin Bishop, Mary Hopkins, Michelle Fruzyna, Kelly Sanders, Michael R. O'Connor, Ryan M. O'Connor, and Katie O'Connor; 17 great-grandchildren; and three sisters-in-law, Eileen Buckley, Alice Buckley, and Frances Highland. She was preceded in death by her son,

Joseph P. O'Connor Jr.; daughter-in-law, Joanne O'Connor (spouse of Patrick); three brothers, Leo, Viator and Vincent Buckley; and two sisters, Bernice Buckley and Elvira Wright.

Tribute Wall



“ With our sympathy. Carol and Joe
Carol and Joe Fritz

November 09, 2006 at 08:11 AM



“ Our sincerest sympathy to the entire O'Connor family on the passing of your mother.
Michael O'Connor

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“ My sincerest sympathy on the loss of a great lady. She always made me feel so special. I enjoyed going to her house with Jeannene because she and your dad were always so kind and made me feel at home. She raised a great family and I love you all. God Bless you. We know she is in Heaven. Love, Thelma and Bob
Thelma Webber

November 09, 2006 at 08:11 AM



“ pat,
so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. we are currently in florida and just heard about her death. it has been a tuff year, but we will go on and make our futures better with our kids and grandchildren. let us know if we can assist you in any way.
best regards!
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