



## Robert Henry Hedditch Jr.

November 12, 1923 - March 12, 2011

Visitation for Robert Henry Hedditch Jr., 87, of Bourbonnais, will be from 10 a.m. Friday until the 10:30 a.m. celebration of the memorial Mass at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais.

Cremation rites will be accorded. Burial will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood. Arrangements are by the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. He died Saturday (March 12, 2011) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee, following a short illness.

Mr. Hedditch worked in local factories first, along with his father at Bear Brand Hosiery and later at Gould National Battery. He retired from Roper Corporation. He was born Nov. 12, 1923, in South Bend Ind., the fourth of 10 children born to Robert Henry Sr. and Ethel Hennekey Hedditch, of Rochester, N.Y.

The Hedditch family spent its early years in Rochester. Engineering jobs took the young family to Detroit, Mich., and South Bend, Ind. During the mid-1920s, the Hedditch family settled permanently in Kankakee.

At a young age Robert enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving aboard the USS Litchfield at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. On the day of the attack, Robert was in the base hospital and witnessed the action. After returning home he met and

married Ida Maria Zullo June 24, 1944, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

He is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Lorraine Hedditch, of Bourbonnais, two daughters and sons-in-law, Janice and Larry Lee, of Windsor, Colo., and Nancy and Jim Weber, of Chicago; four grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; one sister, Thelma Wyant, of Mobile, Ala.; one brother and two sisters-in-law, James and Mae Hedditch, of Momence, and Katy Hedditch, of Hamilton, Mont.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ida; one son, Thomas Paul Hedditch; many brothers and sisters, Bernard (Irene) Hedditch, John W. (Katy) Hedditch, Betty Perry, Florence (Harlan) Hiser, Lois (Robert) Neuby, Donald (Gloria) Hedditch; one infant brother, Joseph Hedditch; and one great-granddaughter, Katelyn.

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAR 18. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church  
308 E. Marsile  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-8285  
<http://www.mbvchurch.org/>

## Memorial Mass

MAR 18. 10:30 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church  
308 E. Marsile  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-8285  
<http://www.mbvchurch.org/>

# Tribute Wall

PC

“ *Phyllis Cribbs lit a candle in memory of Robert Henry Hedditch Jr.*



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**Phyllis Cribbs** - March 17, 2011 at 10:42 AM

PC

“ *I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. He was a good & sweet man. I will miss going to see him when I come to visit.*

*Phyllis Hedditch Cribbs*

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**Phyllis Cribbs** - March 17, 2011 at 10:41 AM

RB

“ *Christopher and family, We are very sorry to hear of your grandfather. Our prayers are certainly with you and all your family. Love, Aunt Becky and Uncle Jim*

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**Rebecca Mangum Bradt** - March 17, 2011 at 10:35 AM

SR

“ *Richard and family, i'm as so sorry to hear about your dad. When Mom cooked dinners she always made extra and would bring it to your dad. She loved the way his face would light up. She always made sure he had dinner and dessert. We will miss seeing him next door.*

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**Sue "Goselin" Rayman** - March 16, 2011 at 08:36 AM



*To the Hedditch family...I am so sorry to hear about your father..he was a good man and I will miss seeing him. our thoughts and prayers are with you all..*

*Laurie Goselin Pelletier*

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**Laurie Goselin Pelletier** - March 16, 2011 at 10:11 AM