

Robert M. LaBeau

June 28, 1920 - April 19, 2008

Visitation for Robert M. LaBeau, 87, of Kankakee, will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Patrick Catholic Church, where he was a lifelong member. The Rev. John Peeters will officiate. Inurnment will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township. Memorials may be made to Aquinas Catholic Academy, St. Patrick Catholic Church, or to Bishop McNamara High School. He died Saturday (April 19, 2008) at Riverside Medical Center. Mr. LaBeau was a retired Realtor and developer. He was formerly associated with LaBeau Bros. Inc. He was born June 28, 1920, in Kankakee, the son of Edward A. and Priscilla Martin LaBeau. His wife, the former Verna Bevan, whom he married June 8, 1941, at St. Patrick Catholic Church, died June 29, 2000. He was a former member and president of the Kankakee Community College Board of Trustees and past president of the Kankakee County Board of Realtors. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during World War II in the European Theatre of Operations. He was a member of the Kankakee Lions Club, the Kankakee Elks Club, the Huddle Club at St. Patrick (Bishop McNamara) High School, the Quadrille Club, the Knights of Columbus, and the Vintage Squadron. His most important job was being a wonderful father. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Robert Bevan and Gretchen LaBeau of Kankakee; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Maryanne and Lee Thacker of Tempe, Ariz., Linda and Dr. John C. Burnett of Rochester, Minn., Valerie LaBeau of Elko,

Nev.; seven grandchildren, Rebecca Leonard, Elizabeth Findlay, Sam Burnett, Lesley Palmer, Michael Krizic, and K.T. and Luke LaBeau; two great-grandchildren; and one sister, Betty Arrington Healey of Sacramento, Calif. Deceased are his parents and one sister, Marjorie Jeannette.

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“ How sad to read of Mr. LaBeau's passing. Our prayers are with you for comfort in your sorrow. May God's loving arms hold you and may your memories help make this time more bearable. Our hearts are with you.##imported-begin##John & Mary Thomson##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Bapu's passing. ĩ½It saddens me to know the sorrow you all are going through right now. ĩ½I hope that the wonderful memories you have stored and knowing how much he was loved and respected by all will help lighten your load. My thoughts and prayers go out to you, at this your time of sorrow.
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Love,

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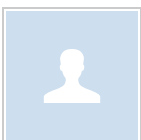
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“ Dear Maryanne, Linda, Bevan and Valarie,

Although, Its' been years since we lived next door, we remember Bob as a wonderful neighbor, and ĩ½great cook. We enjoyed the summer nights on the deck just visiting. ĩ½We send our deepest sympathy.

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“ My Dad and Mom, Frank and Addie Lou Herr cherished their friendship with Bob and Verna -- they were lifelong friends, and shared both adversity and success.

My Dad tells a joyous story about meeting up with Bob after the war in Europe, and how wonderful it was to reunite there when the horrors of the war were beginning to fade.

My Mom and I visited Bob in Kankakee about two years ago -- he was so welcoming and gracious to us then as always.

We wish his family many wonderful memories of his contributions to their lives.

Fondly, Judy Herr Van Gorden

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“ Dear Mary Ann & Lee,

We were so sorry to hear of your fathers death. ĩ ħ½ĩ ħ½We have so many great memories of our childhood growing up in Kankakee and how fortunate we were to have such wonderful parents. ĩ ħ½ĩ ħ½ĩ ħ½Your father will surely live on in all the great times spent together.

You have our deepest sympathy and we will surely remember you and your family in out prayers.

Love,

Linda and Sid###imported-begin##Linda & Sid Eddleman###imported-end##

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“ A very good man, and a great neighbor on Myrtle Avenue while I grew up next door.###imported-begin##Paul Blanke###imported-end##

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“ Dear Maryanne and Lee, I spoke with Elizabeth this morning; and we want to extend our sympathy to all of you. We know how very hard times like this are, and yet there is joy in knowing that he is in heaven now. It is so hard for Elizabeth to not be able to be there with you. I understand how she feels as we were often not able to "be there" when we so badly longed to be. Please extend our sympathy to Becky and all of you family and know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time. Love, Jack and Lynne##imported-begin##Jack and Lynne Findlay##imported-end##

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