



## Deacon Ronald H. Whitman

January 25, 1943 - March 16, 2016

Deacon Ronald H. Whitman, 73, of Bourbonnais, passed away Wednesday (March 16, 2016) in the emergency room at Presence St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee.

He was born Jan. 25, 1943, in Chicago, the son of Lester and Mary Norris Whitman. Ronald married Joanne Grzegorzec on June 1, 1963, in Blue Island.

Mr. Whitman was a retired electrician with Local 134. He also did estimates for Ruder Electric.

Deacon Ron was a member of St. Teresa Catholic Church in Kankakee, had been an ordained deacon since 2003 at St. Teresa and recently had been assisting at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church and St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church, both in Kankakee. He ran the St. Vincent Food Pantry at St. Teresa. He also played guitar and flute; and enjoyed fishing and golfing.

Surviving are his wife, of Bourbonnais; son, Ronald J. Whitman, of Bourbonnais; daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Edward Koziol, of Wilmington; and three granddaughters, Jillian Kay Whitman, Erin Koziol and Megan Koziol.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m to 7 p.m. Sunday at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, with the wake service at 2 p.m. An additional time for visitation will be from 10 a.m. Monday until the 11 a.m. funeral Mass at St. Teresa Catholic Church, Kankakee. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to St. Vincent Food Pantry.

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 20.** 2:00 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

**MAR 21.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Teresa Catholic Church  
333 St. Joseph Avenue  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 933-7683

## Funeral Mass

MAR 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Teresa Catholic Church  
333 St. Joseph Avenue  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
(815) 933-7683

# Tribute Wall

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“ Two years ago Deacon Ron baptized my grandson. My son's inlaws were impressed by how knowledgable and friendly he was after the service. I knew it all along. God bless Deacon Ron  
R.I.P.  
Allen Kohl



allen kohl - March 19, 2016 at 07:11 PM

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“ I met Deacon Ron about 15yrs ago when my wife was taking RCIA classes for her confirmation...the warmth and sincerity shown by Ron made someone feel that he always had known you..What a gift he has been to the people who he shared his time with...MAY ETERNAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM.



Brian Grady Elizabeth Grady (deceased) - March 19, 2016 at 06:36 PM

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“ Tim,Diane,Andrew,Maggie ,Allison,Adam and Alivia. purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wh erever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Deacon Ronald H. Whitman.



Tim,Diane,Andrew,Maggie ,Allison,Adam and Alivia. - March 19, 2016 at 01:03 PM



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**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - March 19, 2016 at 11:04 AM

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“ Our hearts and prayers go out to *Whitman family* at this difficult time. May our dear Lord embrace you in your sorrow and bring *Ronald* to Himself.  
*Deacon Greg and Mary Ouska, St. Joseph, Downers Grove*

**Mary Ouska** - March 18, 2016 at 08:09 PM

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“ *Patricia Harwood* lit a candle in memory of *Deacon Ronald H. Whitman*



**patricia harwood** - March 18, 2016 at 05:44 PM

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“ *Bob & Mary Beth McGrath (St. Martins) lit a candle in memory of Deacon Ronald H. Whitman*



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**Bob & Mary Beth McGrath (St. Martins) - March 17, 2016 at 07:03 PM**