



Sally Hanshaw Watson

January 21, 1930 - November 29, 2008

Sally Hanshaw Watson, 78, of Algonquin, formerly of Kankakee, died Saturday (Nov. 29, 2008) at her home, surrounded by her daughters and grandchildren. Memorial visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Kankakee, where she was a member. Inurnment will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Easter Seals. Mrs. Watson taught first grade in Arizona before raising her children. She was born Jan. 18, 1930, in Kankakee, the daughter of Armand and Deborah Sanborn Hanshaw. Her husband, Morris Ray Watson, whom she married March 21, 1957, died Jan. 30, 1999. She was a graduate of the National College of Education. She was a former member of Kopa Alpha Theta Sorority. She loved to travel, especially to Door County, Wis., and Santa Maria, Fla. Surviving are three daughters and two sons-in-law, Pamela Erickson of Crystal Lake, Andrea and Robert Lynch of Palatine, Cynthia and William Veronda of Kankakee; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and one sister-in-law, Emma Hanshaw of Tucson, Ariz. Deceased are one daughter, Rebecca W. VanItallie; her parents; and two brothers, Alan and Wallis Hanshaw. Sally taught generations how to live life with gratitude and the power of optimism.

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“ *Mrs Watson was a very kind and nice and intelligent person. It was always a pleasure to visit the Watson household as i & ½kids growing up in Kankakee as it was a very warm an inviting household no doubt due to Mrs. Watson's influence. We always felt welcome there.

Sorry to hear of your loss. She will be well-remembered by the community and her friends and family.##imported-begin##Nancy McIntire##imported-end##*

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“ *Cynth, We were so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Just knowing you, she had to have been a very caring and good person, both inside and out. Please know our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. Have a blessed holiday season.##imported-begin##Bob & Judy Younger##imported-end##*

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“ Bob and I were saddened to hear of Sally's death. Our love, thoughts and prayers are with her three daughters, Emma and other family members. I have wonderful memories of my family visiting in Kankakee with my family as a young girl. Sally, Alan and Wally were so enjoyable. Sally was to be admired as she persevered life in spite of illness and other hardships. Much credit is given to Pam, Andrea, Cynthia and Tom. Bob and I will think of you tomorrow at the Memorial service. Our love and prayers are with you all. Love
 Jeannine and Bob Buchanan

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss as are all of Pam and Cynthia's former classmates of West Junior and Westview High School. Your Mother was a wonderful warm-hearted person. She will be sorely missed. Please know your families are in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

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“ GhAndrea,

I was sorry to hear of your mom's passing person. I remember her as our Girl Scout leader at Longfellow & at my house and Karen's house. She always made us feel welcome. how difficult this time can be. Please know you & your family are in

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“ So sorry to hear about your mom. She was always such a sweet woman. Lots of good memories of her. You were all very lucky to have had her as long as you did!##imported-begin##Sally (Small) Doris##imported-end##

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