



Sandra "Sandy" Gonski

February 16, 1938 - January 21, 2016

Sandra K. "Sandy" Gonski, age 77, of Kankakee, passed away Thursday, January 21, 2016 at Miller Healthcare Center in Kankakee.

She was born February 16, 1938 in Kankakee, the daughter of Dale B. & Vivian D. Pepin Shafer.

Sandy married John H. Young; he preceded her in death in 1967. On November 16, 1968, she married Patrick J. Gonski at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. He preceded her in death September 18, 2009.

Sandy retired from Jewel Food Stores after 30 years of service. She was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Blackhawks fan. She was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Surviving are five sons and three daughters-in-law, Michael Young of Tampa, FL, John "Doug" & Sadie Young of Kankakee, Ronald & Deanne Young of Kankakee, Jason Gonski of Kankakee, Patrick & Julie Gonski of Bourbonnais; two daughters and two sons-in-law, Julie & Carl Salzman of Oak Lawn and Kathleen & Art Sparbanie of Naperville; one brother and one sister-in-law, John & Kathy Shafer of Cincinnati, OH; fifteen grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Sandra is also preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2016 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee. Rev. John Peeters will celebrate the mass. Cremation Rites will be accorded following the services.

Memorials may be made to Catholic Charities.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JAN **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
428 S. Indiana
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-6716

Tribute Wall

LN

“ I had the joy of working with Sandy for many years at Jewel. I thought the world of her and treasured our friendship. She will be sadly missed. Sending my love, sympathy and prayers to the entire family.....I am in Florida and just got the news.

Sincerely,
Lori Naese

lori naese - January 26, 2016 at 08:29 PM

 Sheri
Godin

“ Our thoughts, from here in Texas, are with the entire family. I regret not being able to attend the memorial service, but want to say that Aunt Sandy will be missed dearly. She is a beautiful soul that was always a joy to be around. I am thankful to have known her and to have such fond memories of good times shared with our families, on outings and vacations. Until we see her again someday, she will never be forgotten.

Sheri Godin - January 26, 2016 at 01:04 PM

LH

“ My prayers go out to the family.

Linda Hill - January 25, 2016 at 08:12 PM

LG

“ Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.

Our deepest Sympathy

The Golembiewski Family

Lori Golembiewski - January 25, 2016 at 11:20 AM

RG

Lori did you Graduate from Cedar Crest ?

Rick Garloff - February 08, 2016 at 08:33 PM

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“ Rest in Peace Aunt Sandy. I have so many fond memories of you throughout my childhood up until today. You are so loved. I always admired your warm heart and grace. Heaven has a new Angel and I know that you are in the hands of God. I pray for the family, that God brings us comfort as we struggle with the sadness of missing you.... until we are together again.



Tina Gonzalez (Godin) - January 25, 2016 at 10:42 AM

DG

“ Aunt Sandy was my favorite Aunt and always showed me love and affection. I always remember the fun times I spent with Aunt Sandy and my cousins growing-up. Although we moved to Georgia, I have always loved this family. My Mom (Aunt Bernice) said she will miss calling her friend. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time. Please know we feel her loss also.

Donna Young Garver - January 25, 2016 at 08:40 AM

DG

“ Donna Young Garver lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Gonski



Donna Young Garver - January 25, 2016 at 08:27 AM

NR

“ I WORKED WITH SANDY AT JEWEL FOR MANNY YEARS, SHE WAS A BEAUTIFUL PERSON INSIDE AND OUT. SORRY TO HEAR OF HER PASSING. MY SYMPATHIES AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY..

NANCY RODGERS - January 24, 2016 at 07:37 PM

AM

“ It sure was a pleasure getting to know you! Loved every moment we did have together! Prayers to family! RIP beautiful

Alexis Miller (cna at miller) - January 24, 2016 at 07:04 PM

KR

“ Our condolences to Jason and the entire Gonski/Young family.

Our thoughts are with you.

Ken and Linda Rosengarten

Ken and Linda Rosengarten - January 24, 2016 at 03:10 PM

SG

“ My deepest sympathy to all the Young family during this sad time. Your mom was a beautiful and kind lady and will be missed by many.

Steve Geelan

Steve Geelan - January 24, 2016 at 01:46 PM



IP

“ I Will Miss You Aunt Sandy, Love, Patty lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Gonski



I will miss you Aunt Sandy, love, Patty - January 23, 2016 at 07:39 PM

NA

“ My sympathies and prayers to the family. It was a joy growing up next door and loved how my mother and her were best friends. I will always cherish the memories and what a wonderful, loving person Sandy was. My love to all of you.

Nan - January 23, 2016 at 04:43 PM

SZ

“ I worked with Sandy at Jewel in Bourbonnais for many years and enjoyed a friendship that I will always cherish. My deepest sympathy to everyone at this very sad time. Sandy loved her family above all and was so proud of them and I loved hearing stories and sharing memories with her. She will forever be a bright spot in my memories of the times we shared.

Susan Zumbahlen - January 23, 2016 at 12:28 PM

KB

“ Worked with Sandy @ Jewel Foods, many years ago. Such an enjoyable woman to work alongside. Loved to hear her share her stories of her family, whom she cherished. Saddened to hear of her passing!

Kelly Brownfield - January 23, 2016 at 12:05 PM

CR

“ *Candy Ray lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Gonski*



candy ray - January 23, 2016 at 06:45 AM

LC

“ *Laurie Wojnowski Coleman lit a candle in memory of Sandra "Sandy" Gonski*



Laurie Wojnowski Coleman - January 23, 2016 at 06:35 AM

KE

“ *Wow, so many memories. Love this woman and this family. Playing euchre in the garage, too many ball games to count, putting up with our shenanigans, always smiles and hugs. My sympathies to you all, love, Kenna Beaupre Rathai*

Kenna - January 22, 2016 at 05:36 PM

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“ *My sympathy to Ron and the entire family.*

Oran Skeldon - January 22, 2016 at 04:33 PM