



Shirley Offenbecker

July 8, 1931 - February 25, 2009

Visitation for Shirley Offenbecker, 77, of Bourbonnais, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church, Bourbonnais, where she was a member. The Rev. Richard Pighini will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. She died Wednesday (Feb. 25, 2009) at her home. Mrs. Offenbecker was retired from Roper and Wal-Mart. She was born July 8, 1931, in Kankakee, the daughter of Herman and Rhoda Miller Kray. She was a member of the Ladies of St. Anne at her church and enjoyed reading and baking. Surviving are her husband, George Offenbecker, whom she married June 30, 1956, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley; one son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Alyssa Offenbecker of Round Lake; one daughter and son-in-law, Valerie and Bob Deverman of Lakewood, Calif.; one sister, Norma Berns of St. Anne; one brother and sister-in-law, Gerald and Doris Kray of Butler, Ind.; one niece, Donna Kray; and one nephew, Karl Berns.

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“ Shirley Kray (Offenbecker) was our babysitter. When we were young children, Shirley took care of my sister Mary and me. On summer evenings, once she got us cleaned up and into our pajamas, she would let us sit on the steps outside of our house. The only strict rule she imposed was that we could not leave the steps (young ladies simply did not run around in their pj's). Shirley would sit beside us while Mary and I shared a popsicle and she would tell us wonderful stories of princesses and princes and in the end, everybody lived happily ever after. Shirley was kind and happy and wonderful. She warmed our hearts, made us laugh and told the best fairy tales ever, she enriched our lives. In November, 2007, Mary and I had lunch with Shirley to reminisce. She told us of her wonderful husband and children and how much she loved them. Driving back to Chicago that day, I remember thinking she lived the story, she lived happily ever after. With respect and gratefulness, Sonya (Toliuszis) Study
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“ I knew Shirley and her brother Jerry as a boy living down the street. I worked with Shirley at Roper until 1982 when I moved to Texas. Ronald Dionne

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“ George

Thinking of you with heartfelt sympathy. I worked with you and Shirley at Roper. Shirley was a wonderful and kind person. She will be missed. ##imported-begin##Judy Andersen##imported-end##

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