



Sonia Otterlee

August 6, 1916 - December 15, 2008

Sonia Otterlee, 92, of Kankakee, died Monday (Dec. 15, 2008) at her home. Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. Arrangements are by the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes. Mrs. Otterlee was retired from Shapiro Developmental Center. She was born Aug. 6, 1916, in Wyoming. Her husband of 50 years, Edward Otterlee, whom she married in Crown Point, Ind., died in 1985. Surviving are three sons, Jim Otterlee of California, Chuck Otterlee of Oregon, John Otterlee of Bourbonnais; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Deceased are one son, Stewart; three brothers, Fred, Walter and John; and two sisters, Anne and Mary.

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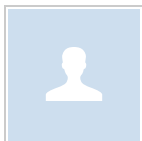


“ Dear John and family,

Worked 23 years with your Mom @ SDC, she was always a live wire and kept us all on our toes. ĩ½Truly sorry for your loss. ĩ½Losing Mom is the toughest hurdle in life.

Lynn Reilly Jackson###imported-begin###Lynn Jackson###imported-end###

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“ I wish to send my sympathy to the family for the great loss of Sonja.. She was an extremely nice and friendly person and I very much enjoyed talking to her and hearing some of the old stories from when she worked at shapiro..I live up the street and took Shadow (my dog) for walks and if she was out she would always say HELLO and we would stop and talk for a time.I am really gonna miss seeing her out working in the yard when spring comes and enjoying the fresh air of life... I sincerely hope that I am still moving as well at that age when it comes time.. ĩ½ĩ½ĩ½ĩ½ĩ½Sincerely Angie and shadow###imported-begin###Angela Devine###imported-end###

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“ I hope Sonia will be able to meet and greet her favorite authors in Heaven. I am sure she would enjoy that very much. I pray Heaven has a large library filled with mysteries.##imported-begin##Paula Goodwin##imported-end##

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“ Words cannot express how much I am going to miss my little chica. I thought about her every day before she passed and I will continue to think about her every day for as long as I live. I smile and laugh remembering our chats about boyfriends, the daily hustle and bustle of life, or a "Seinfeld" episode that made her laugh out loud. I will miss her fantastic sense of humor, quick wit and laughing until my sides hurt. I will miss hearing about her childhood and I will miss her wisdom. She was not only the matriarch of our family, she was one of my best friends; always there for me when I needed someone to talk to, or when I needed advice. She told it like it was and I respected her so much for that. She was such a strong woman - a survivor of many challenges that life threw her way. As her son Charles says, "They broke the mold when they made Sonia". I will always remember her zest for life. I will miss her forever.##imported-begin##Jen##imported-end##

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“ I will always remember Sonia's love for her grandchildren; her avid curiosity for new things, new ideas and her ease in meeting people. I Although we lived miles apart, Vanessa, Jennifer and I always felt she wasn't that far away in spirit. I We will always hold her in our hearts as she held us in hers. I Thank you Sonia for being a "mom" to me.##imported-begin##Sharon (Otterlee) McLenithan##imported-end##

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“ We will always have fond memories of Sonia.

Loved her##imported-begin##Bernard & Donna Wood##imported-end##

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“ We've known Ms. Otterlee over the years from when our boys delivered papers to her. She had a great spirit and drive for life which was evident when she worked in her yard tending her plants and flowers.

Our prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Michael & Rita Morris##imported-end##

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