



## Thelma J. Austin

March 16, 1909 - July 17, 2014

Thelma J. Austin, 105, of Kankakee, passed away Thursday (July 17, 2014) at River North Nursing Home in Bradley.

She was born March 16, 1909, in Hurst, the daughter of John and Mollie Glover Williams.

On Oct. 9, 1937, she married William Lee Austin at Trinity United Methodist Church in Kankakee. He preceded her in death in 1992.

Thelma was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Kankakee, a retired employee of Aldens Department Store, and enjoyed fishing, traveling and crocheting afghans.

Surviving are four grandchildren, Austin and Janet Flanigan, Susan Flanigan, Barbara Carel and Kevin and Annette Flanigan; five great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a niece, Kathleen Anderson; and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband; stepdaughter, Lavonna Flanigan; four sisters, Loreen Saathoff, Sidney Rhuhamer, Kathleen and Edrie Williams; and one brother, Henry Williams.

Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. Saturday until the 11 a.m. funeral services at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. The Rev. Lee Lovett will officiate. Cremation rites have been accorded, and inurnment will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory in Kankakee.

She was a joy to all and will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Her family wishes to thank her friends and the staff at River North Nursing Home.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUL **26.** 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home  
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Kankakee, IL 60901  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Thelma was one of the most amazing people I have ever known. She was genuine and kind. She always had a smile and I don't think I ever saw her in a bad mood. She was smart and never made anybody feel anything but smart also. I worked with her a long time ago and we kept in touch for a while but lost track of each other. I never forgot the things I learned from her.*

*Judy*

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**Judy** - July 24, 2014 at 02:02 PM

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“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Thelma J. Austin*



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**Judy** - July 24, 2014 at 01:56 PM

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“ *Thelma was one of the sweetest women I have ever known..When I got married in 2001, she asked me to come over after work. I did and she gave me a beautiful vase that she said Lee had bought her on their honeymoon...I dearly cherish it and her friendship..She will be fondly remembered always..*

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**Sara** - July 22, 2014 at 06:45 PM

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“ Sara lit a candle in memory of Thelma J. Austin



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Sara - July 22, 2014 at 06:39 PM

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“ Kay lit a candle in memory of Thelma J. Austin



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Kay - July 22, 2014 at 10:56 AM

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*Thelma was a great lady. Everyone who knew her loved her dearly!  
She will be missed by many.*

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Kay - July 22, 2014 at 10:57 AM