



Velma I. Osman

June 21, 1933 - January 27, 2022

Velma I. Osman, age 89, of Bourbonnais, formerly of Kankakee, passed away peacefully Thursday, January 27, 2022 at her home, with her son and loving husband by her side. She was born June 21, 1933 in Buncombe, the daughter of Emory & Ethel (Burlison) Walker. Velma married Donald "Don" Osman on July 29, 1955 in Nashville, TN.

Velma worked for Shapiro Development Center in Kankakee, retiring in 1988 after 35 years of service. She enjoyed antiques, going on day trips all over Illinois with her husband, and reading. She enjoyed walking at the mall for over 30 years. Most of all, Velma loved spending time with her family and spoiling her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Bourbonnais.

Surviving are her husband of nearly 67 years, Donald "Don" Osman of Bourbonnais; one son, Darrel & Sue Osman of Yorkville; two grandchildren, Michael (Angela) Osman and Stephen (Becca) Osman; four great-grandchildren, Alyssa, Vincent, Juliana, and Hailey; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Velma is preceded in death by her parents; six brothers, and five sisters.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at Kankakee Memorial Gardens in Aroma Township.

Memorials may be made to Uplifted Care.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Please sign her guestbook at www.clancygernon.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Kankakee Memorial Gardens
15 S. 3000 E. Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2318

Tribute Wall

DW

“ Aunt Velma was a very sweet lady and a kind person. I remember that she and Uncle Don always had bowls of Wrigley spearmint chewing gum in their house. Uncle Don is a good fella. My heart goes out to him and our family up north.

Donnie Walker - February 02, 2022 at 07:36 AM

DO

Thank you Donnie, it sure has been a long time, hope you and all of family are doing well

Darrel Osman - February 03, 2022 at 07:33 AM

VS

“ Virginia Shrove lit a candle in memory of Velma I. Osman



Virginia Shrove - February 01, 2022 at 09:13 PM

VS

I worked with Velma back in the mid-60's on 13 north. I was in college at Olivet [though I lived in Kankakee]. I was young, naive, pretty sheltered; Velma and the other folks I worked with were all from southern Illinois. They were wonderful and taught me a lot. I loved Velma. She was very kind to me. May she rest in peace.

Virginia Shrove - February 01, 2022 at 09:18 PM

DO

Thank you Virginia, that's a great memory

Darrel Osman - February 03, 2022 at 07:32 AM

VF

“ My father, Olen Burlison was a first cousin to Velma. My mother, Phyllis Burlison, was good friends with Velma and Velma was a bridesmaid in my parent's wedding on June 10, 1951. My father passed in 2017 and Mother currently resides in a nursing home. When I called to read the obituary to Mother she said it made her sad as they hadn't seen each other over many years due to a misunderstanding, Mother said she felt bad about it and would wonder often about her "Velmie". Mother, Velmie and Arlene Yoakum (married name) were BFF's, Mother & Velmie could never get Arlene to skip high school with them and go swimming!



Our parents had five children. i am the oldest, Vickie Burlison-Francisco, Manteno

Second is Linda Burlison, Phoenix, AZ

Third is Brenda Burlison, Bradley

Mark Burlison, Burlison, Bourbonnais

Roger Burlison who passed away 10 years ago.

Please accept our deepest sympathies, We will keep you all in prayer and ask God to bless you and give you His peace,
<https://storage.lifetributes.com/VirtualGifts/Hands-In-Prayer.png>

Vickie Francisco - February 01, 2022 at 12:42 AM

DO

Thank you Vickie, I will cherish that memory

Darrel Osman - February 03, 2022 at 07:27 AM

TB

“ Working with Velma was a joy. She knew so much history about Kankakee State Hospital. Her stories amazed me. She spoke about adventures she and her husband, Don, were having and mentioned phone calls with her son, Darrel. But at that time, Velma had another love--a little dog named Peaches. Never really heard anything of Velma after she retired. But reading this notice and knowing she lived a long life surrounded by the people and places that meant so much to her makes me smile. Teresa B.

Teresa Brault - January 30, 2022 at 08:43 AM

DO

Thank you so much, I definitely remember her talking about you, all in a good way!

Darrel Osman - February 03, 2022 at 07:22 AM