



Vera Ann "Pooch" Barnhart

July 15, 1937 - July 10, 2015

Vera Ann "Pooch" Barnhart, 77, of Kankakee, passed away Friday (July 10, 2015) at St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet.

She was born on July 15, 1937, in Lynnville, Ind., the daughter of George S. and Mabel O. Oestricker Doerner. Vera married David Barnhart on Aug. 30, 1958, in Mackey, Ind. He survives, of Kankakee.

Vera retired from the oncology unit at Presence St. Mary's Hospital after 26 years of employment. After, she continued helping families through Hospice of Kankakee Valley for 11 years. She was adored by her nieces and nephews. Vera also loved entertaining the students at Olivet Nazarene University. She enjoyed cooking, gardening and flowers. Vera was a proud supporter of her grandchildren in their extracurricular activities. A prayer warrior, she volunteered at the Limestone Community Church of the Nazarene.

In addition to her husband, surviving are one son, Keith Barnhart, of Limestone; three daughters and sons-in-law, Elaine and Bruce McAndrews, of Herscher, Janet and John Crawford, of Bourbonnais, and Paula and Clint Yale, of Bourbonnais; one sister, Beatrice Joy Hanners, of Boswell, Ind.; one brother, Kenneth Doerner, of Lynnville, Ind.; and 12 grandchildren, Christopher and Paul McAndrews, Jessica and Julia Yale, Justin and Jenna Crawford, Christopher, Curtis, Terance, Lisa, Clinton and Sharon Barnhart.

Preceding her in death were her parents; three sisters, Rosemary Marvell, Bernice Julian and Pauline Hill; and one brother, George Doerner Jr.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. An additional time for visitation will be from 10 a.m. Thursday until the 11 a.m. funeral services at Limestone Community Church of the Nazarene, with the Rev. Brandon Hird officiating. Burial will follow in Kankakee Memorial Gardens in Aroma Township.

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Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Visitation

JUL 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Limestone Community Church of the Nazarene
863 N. 5000 W. Road
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-5288

Funeral Service

JUL 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SR

“ Dear Janet, John and Family, We are truly sorry to learn of the of the passing of Janet's Mom. We Love you all. ***Steve Roti & Family

Steve Roti - July 16, 2015 at 07:04 PM

GC

“ Our prayers are with your family during these days of your loss. Vera's smile and spirit is an inspiration that will continue in the lives of those she touched.

Gregory L Chambers - July 16, 2015 at 10:13 AM

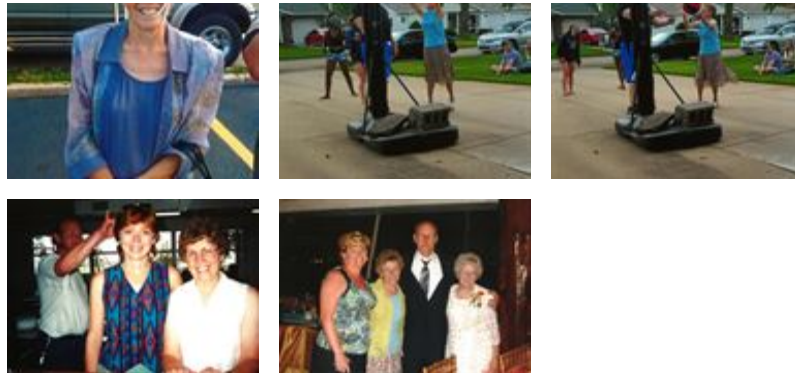
RS

“ Vera was so good to my father Frank Scherer. Dad was in St Mary's from Dec 27 of 1984 til the morning he passed April 15 1985.I will always remember how she kept dad from getting bed sores by using a calves salve on him. I can't remember in of the other nurses but Vera. She was an angel sent by God. Thank you for sharing her with us. Rev Byron Scherer

Rev Byron Scherer - July 14, 2015 at 08:13 PM



“ 74 files added to the album LifeTributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - July 14, 2015 at 11:26 AM

CA

“ *The Barnhart family has always been extra special to our family. They were neighbors for as long as I can remember but more importantly they are all part of our family. Vera was an angel on earth, always thinking of others, helping others, praying for and with others and shared the joys of her family. When my father passed, she bought a painting in his honor and displayed it on her mantle. There are so many great things I could say about this great lady..... I love you Vera Barnhart and will miss our occasional phone calls and Christmas cards. Now you are an angel in heaven. Hope you've reunited with my parents. My thoughts and prayers to the whole Barnhart family. Love, Terry & Carol (Oesterle) Allison.*

Carol Oesterle Allison - July 13, 2015 at 09:36 PM

RK

“ I worked with Vera at St. Mary's for many years. She was very compassionate to all of her patients. She was a very hard worker. But she was also a lot of fun to work with. I love Vera very much. She will be missed. Thoughts & Prayers to her family.
Rose Kieffer.



Rose Kieffer - July 12, 2015 at 09:50 PM



“ Vera and Dave were some of the nicest people I have met She was always smiling! Thoughts and prayers for her and her family.....

Steve McCabe - July 12, 2015 at 08:43 PM



my sincere condolences to your family.

Nate Gwin - July 14, 2015 at 09:56 AM

DW

It was with great sorrow we learned of Vera's passing. We valued her as a friend and her many contributions to patient care. She will be very much missed. Dr. And Mrs. Larry P. Wasser

Dr. Larry P. Wasser - July 28, 2015 at 07:55 AM



“ I am so very sorry to hear of Vera's death -- she was a lovely woman with a huge heart -- she will be missed



Coleen McCabe - July 12, 2015 at 08:41 PM

AC

“ I am so sorry for your loss...I worked with Vera many years ago at St. Mary's when I first became a nurse....I have never forgotten her. She was an amazing person to work with!

Amy Creek

Amy Creek - July 12, 2015 at 10:10 AM



BD

“ The angels are singing and dancing, because Vera has come home, what a joyous occasion!!! Her family is gathering, and rejoicing the new Angel has arrived, one of their own!! Beverly Dauphin RN

beverly dauphin - July 11, 2015 at 04:25 AM



SI

“ Sister Inga lit a candle in memory of Vera Ann "Pooch" Barnhart

Sister Inga - July 10, 2015 at 08:27 PM

