



## Vernal L. Jensen

September 11, 1917 - March 14, 2013

Visitation for Vernal L. Jensen, 95, of Kankakee, will be from 9 a.m. Monday until the 11 a.m. funeral service at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Her great-grandson, Pastor Shawn Jensen, will officiate, and music will be provided by his wife, Lizzie Jensen.

Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Lutheran Church in Bourbonnais. She died Thursday (March 14, 2013) at the home of her son in Bourbonnais.

Mrs. Jensen retired from General Foods Corp. after 22 years of service. She was born Sept. 11, 1917, in Grant Park, the daughter of Owen Sr. and Helen Jurgensen Hibbs. Her husband, Louis P. Jensen, whom she married June 20, 1936, in Momence, passed away Jan. 30, 1992. She was a member of the American Lutheran Church and a charter member of the Altar Guild. She was a member of the Miriam Faith Circle, Busy Bee Quilting, and Prairieview Lutheran Home Auxiliary in Danforth. She enjoyed spending time with people and family. She was known as "the cookie lady."

Surviving are one son and two daughters-in-law, Donald and Kathy Jensen, of Bourbonnais, and Kathleen Jensen Smith, of Goodyear, Ariz.; seven grandchildren, Wade (Melissa) Jensen, Joshua (Joy) Jensen, Eric Jensen,

Kelli (Tim) Vanover, Kathy (Jim) Rady, Jaylee Fandel, and Amanda (Artie) Woods; 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one son, Wayne; five brothers and five sisters.

# Cemetery Details

## Kankakee Memorial Gardens

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-1214  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

FD

“ Vernal has been a mentor and friend since I was a member of the Jr Choir at the American Lutheran Church. The choir and Sunday school was a big part of my grade school and high school years. Vernal, my mom (Dorothea Hilliker) and the other parents were all involved with the youth activities. I enjoyed visiting with Vernal when I came back to Kankakee. She will be missed.

*Frances (Hilliker) Dutton*

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**Frances Dutton** - March 19, 2013 at 09:29 AM

PL

“ I remember Vernal from my childhood at Am. Lutheran Church. She was a good friend to my Mother Dorothea Hilliker. It was always nice to see and talk to her when I came back to Kankakee and went to church with my mother or to Prairieview when they did bingo with the residents. She always stopped to see my mother when she became a resident at Prairieview herself. It made me feel good to know mom had visits from Vernal. God has a great person with him now and my mom has a good friend to visit. So sorry for your loss.  
*Pat Hilliker Long*

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**Pat Long** - March 18, 2013 at 12:16 AM

CD

“ Butch and Kathy, We were very sorry to hear of your losses. Know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.  
*Ric and Carol David*

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**Carol David** - March 17, 2013 at 08:37 PM

JB

“ *Butch, sorry to learn of your Mom passing, I'll always remember the good times we had growing up together and your parents were a big part of that, they were both very special people. Jerry*

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**Jerry Bjick** - March 16, 2013 at 09:09 AM