



## Verneal L. Blanchette

July 11, 1925 - June 15, 2014

Visitation for Verneal L. Blanchette, 88, of Bourbonnais, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley, where she was a member. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Kankakee. Memorials may be made to the Marklund School in Geneva or to Thresholds of Kankakee County. She passed away Sunday (June 15, 2014) at her home.

Mrs. Blanchette was a retired traffic clerk from the Kankakee County States Attorney office. She was born July 11, 1925, in Kankakee, the daughter of Benoit and Irene Denault Perreault. Her husband, Ambrose Blanchette, whom she married Feb. 20, 1946, at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Irwin, passed away June 23, 1994. She was a member of the Book Club. She loved playing euchre with the Bradley Senior Citizens twice a week. She was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bulls fan.

Surviving are one son, Jeffrey Blanchette, of Elgin; one daughter and two sons-in-law, Joanne and David Berg, of Bradley, and Bill Rainbolt, of Kankakee; nine grandchildren, Jill DeFarno (Marc), Jeri Booe (Keith), Adam Berg (Jennifer), Wendy LeRoy (Matt), Grant Berg, Abby McGill (Andrew), Kandace Blanchette, Karley Blanchette and Kevin Blanchette; 14 great-grandchildren, Ellie and Vincent DeFarno, Clare, Sophie, June and John

Booe, Jackson, Hannah, Grace and Samuel Berg, Kenley and Ethan LeRoy, and Coen and Audriana McGill; one sister, Theresa St. Pierre, of Des Plaines; and one sister-in-law, Pat Perreault, of Kankakee.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Joyce Rainbolt; and one brother, Ambrose Perreault.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 18.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Funeral Mass

**JUN 19.** 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
211 N. Center Street  
Bradley, IL 60915  
(815) 939-3573  
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Verneal L. Blanchette*



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**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - June 19, 2014 at 09:01 AM



“ *Verneal was my mother-in-laws daughter-in-law when Eva was married to Armand. We offer our sympathy her family.*

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**penny & jerry noe** - June 25, 2014 at 09:36 AM




“ *My fondest memories of Aunt Verneal are she and Mom all dressed up in their Square Dance dresses and looking beautiful.*

*Many a Square Dance did I attend with Aunt Verneal, Uncle Ambrose, Mom, and Dad!*

*Denise Hirth*

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**Denise Hirth** - June 20, 2014 at 01:23 PM

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“ Aunt Verneal,

*I liked going to Church with you and going out to eat afterwards. I liked paying Skip-bo with you, Grandma, and Aunt Juanita.*

*I will miss you.*

*Quentin Hebert*

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**Denise Hirth** - June 20, 2014 at 01:20 PM



“ Aunt Verneal was my Godmother, and we had many conversations together, but one conversation with her changed my life forever. As a result I ended up living in Paris for 5 1/2 years of my life, and continue to this day to visit Paris 2-4 times a year. From Juanita St. Pierre

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**Clancy-Gernon Gernon** - June 20, 2014 at 08:13 AM



“ Denise Marcotte lit a candle in memory of Verneal L. Blanchette



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**Denise Marcotte** - June 18, 2014 at 01:08 PM

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“ Dear Family of Verneal,  
Verneal and I worked together in the State's Attorney's Office for many years. She was always so kind to me. She was a hard worker, always keeping quiet but busy. She was one of the most gracious and lovely ladies I have ever known. She will be sadly missed. When the sadness begins to pass, try to remember all the good times, of which I am sure there were many. Please accept my sympathies for your loss.  
In prayer,  
Sandy Tarbell-Toogood

Sandra Tarbell-Toogood - June 18, 2014 at 11:48 AM



“ Vicki Sanford-Tousignant lit a candle in memory of Verneal L. Blanchette



Vicki Sanford-Tousignant - June 17, 2014 at 10:28 PM



Verneal was such a sweet lady, She was one of my favorite residents when I worked at Bickford Senior Living. Sending comfort and prayers to her family at this sad time. Rest in peace Verneal.

Vicki Sanford-Tousignant - June 17, 2014 at 10:31 PM

DC

“ Will always remember "Aunt" Verneal. Playing cards and her quiet presence at our family functions.

Debbie and Bill Castongia - June 17, 2014 at 04:28 PM

TR

“ Aloha Oe ( until we meet again ) Tom & Lani Robbins.

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**Tom Robbions** - June 17, 2014 at 10:24 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Aunt Verneal and Uncle Ambrose meant a great deal to me and my family. She was a beautiful and kind woman who will be missed.

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**Annette Langellier** - June 16, 2014 at 06:39 PM