



Veronica LaVella

August 24, 1915 - May 19, 2008

Veronica T. "Vi" LaVella, 92, of Kankakee, died Monday (May 19, 2008) at Provena Heritage Village in Kankakee. Cremation rites have been accorded. A Mass in her name will be celebrated Aug. 24, her birthday, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. Memorials may be made to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, where she was a member. Arrangements are by the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. Mrs. LaVella retired Feb. 4, 1981, from Sears in Kankakee. She was born Aug. 24, 1915, in Kankakee, the daughter of Mike and Magdaline Schultz. Her husband, Raymond P. LaVella, whom she married Jan. 24, 1942, in Kankakee, died March 16, 1994. She was an avid bowler for over 50 years and loved working on crossword puzzles. Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Lita LaVella of Hayward, Calif.; one daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Stanton White of Indian Wells, Calif.; four grandchildren, Leigh-Ann (Joseph) Soucie of Aurora, Jackie, Paul and Michael LaVella, all of Hayward, Calif.; three great-grandchildren, Cris (Geraldine) Gomez of Tucson, Ariz., Yolanda Gomez of Hayward, Gianna Soucie of Aurora; one great-great-grandchild, Jalen Gomez of Tucson; and one brother, Richard Schultz of Marathon, Fla. Deceased are three sisters, Bernice Bires, Nellie Schmidt and Rita Quigley; and two brothers, Frank and John Schultz.

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“ *It was always a pleasure to see Aunt Fat - that is what we called her!

My mom gave her that nick name - I guess! Not sure why - beacuse there was not an ounce of fat on her!

We exchanged family news at Christmas time - I was very sad to hear that she had health problems & then broke her hip. She was a great family member & I have fond memories of her & Uncle Ray!##imported-begin##Bonnie Bires##imported-end##*

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“ *We wish to express our sympathies to the family. We enjoyed visiting her last fall during a trip to Kankakee. Veronica was a girl friend of my Mother (Anne Palinski) in the 1930's. They played basketball together and Veronica stood up in my parents wedding in 1941. I grew up knowing Veronica by another nickname "Fat". She was a dear friend of ours and will be deeply missed.##imported-begin##George & Marilyn Palinski##imported-end##*

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“ I was sorry to learn of this sad news. ĩ½She was know as "Fat" to me because that is what my mother, Anne Palinski, called her for nearly a lifetime. ĩ½They were the best of friends, played basketball together as girls and they were even in each other's wedding. ĩ½She and her husband, Ray, were the nicest people. ĩ½I was always amazed by her love for bowling and by how much she enjoyed working in her yard. I last visited her during summer '07 and when I hugged her goodbye, I never realized it would be for the last time. I shall miss her. ĩ½ĩ½##imported-begin##Annette Flanigan##imported-end##

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“ I MISS YOU VI, YOU WERE SO KIND TO ME, TEACHING ME ALL THE SPORTS I ENJOYED ALL GOOD TIMES, AND WILL NEVER FORGET YOU ĩ½AND THE NICE LETTERS YOU ALWAYS SENT ME. GOD BLESS YOU WONDERFUL SISTER....LOVE RICHARD##imported-begin##richard schultz##imported-end##

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“ I just read Aunt Rita's Obituary and am sorry for your loss. Maybe you don't remember us but I was a nephew, son of Aunt Rita's brother, John Schultz, deceased 1986. From the guest book it looks like there was more than one side of the family someone wanted to forget.##imported-begin##Steve Schultz##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry for your loss and will pray for the family. yuo may not know me but my father was Alvin lavella Raymonds Brother and I was never able to know my relatives due to my fathers actions but wish the family well.

I wish I had got to know her and the family she seemed like a nice lady.##imported-begin##Aron LaVella##imported-end##

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“ I just read the on-line obit of your mother, my aunt Veronica. I also noticed that my father's name was omitted from the list of deceased siblings. Was that an OOPS or was it because you don't remember him? I'm not upset, I just don't quite understand how relatives don't keep up on each other like I do... Anyway, your mom was great company and surely will be missed.

John##imported-begin##John Schultz##imported-end##

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“ My prayers are with you and Veronica will be missed dearly.I worked for Veronica for a short period of time,and anyone who had known her she was a person that was easy to fall in love with.I will miss her so very much.she touched my life and for that i will always be grateful. I know that God will take better care of her than this world can. May god bless the family and give you strength to make it through this difficult time. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##sarah troupe##imported-end##

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