



## Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette

September 21, 1933 - October 7, 2019

Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette, 86, of Bourbonnais, passed away Monday (Oct. 7, 2019) at Amita Health St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. He passed surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Sept. 21, 1933, in Rockville Township, the son of Alfred Paquette and Leah Boucher Paquette. Gerald married Betty Christiansen Gleason Paquette on April 9, 2005, at the KC Hall in Kankakee. She survives. He had worked construction, worked at Eagle Foods and he retired from Bourbonnais Elementary School District 53 as a custodian.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 0755 in Manteno, and Bradley-Bourbonnais Senior Citizens' Club.

Jerry was an avid golfer and enjoyed going on casino trips and just traveling all over. He loved watching the Cubs and said he waited 84 years to see his Cubs win the World Series. He loved being with his family.

He was of the Catholic faith.

Surviving are his daughter, Cheryl (Dale) Andersen, of Bourbonnais; stepdaughters, Tammy (Andy) Berns, of Herscher, Kathy (Rick) White, of Kankakee, and Kelly (Eric) Welch, of Bourbonnais; sisters, Helen Daniels and Doreen (Dee) (Redgie) Lalumendre, all of Manteno; brother, Edmond Paquette; sisters in law, Juanita Paquette, Mary Lou King, Mary Lou Nugent and Judy Laurent; grandchildren, Jeremy (Laura) Andersen, of Bourbonnais,

and Jill (Justin) Kuntz, of Bourbonnais, Joshua Berns, Nicole (Michael) Steffek, Heather Berns (Michael Sneed), Jeremy (Megan) Berns, Jim White, Jennifer (Josh) Adams, Jessica (Cody) Smith, Stephanie Bertrand, Erica (Ryan) Billingsley, Eli (Sera) Welch, Kelsey Welch (Frank Shipley), Ashley Gleason and Rachel Gleason; great-grandchildren, triplets, Harper, Marek and Davis Andersen, of Bourbonnais, Clayton, Jackson, Addison and Gwendolyn Steffek, Nicholas and Mackenzie Sneed, Brock, Carson and Ryker Berns, Oakley Berns, Jace, Janie, Jack, Jude, Joel Adams, Parker and Brooke Smith, Ginger and Lola Bertrand, Josie and Presley Billingsley; along with several nieces and nephews and extended family.

Preceding him in death were his first wife, Jean Cox Paquette, who passed away May 13, 2003, after 47 years of marriage; brother, George Paquette; sister, Emma (Walter) Simmons; and stepson, John Gleason.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, at Brown-Jensen Funeral Home, 21 Main St., Manteno. Interment will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or the wishes of the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **13**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Jensen Funeral Home  
21 N Main St  
Manteno, IL 60950

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette*

October 06, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *Barbara Favors*



**Barbara Favors** - October 11, 2019 at 10:03 PM



“ *I always enjoyed working with Jerry back in my days at LeVasseur as well as getting to know Cheryl in the after school program. He always had a smile on his face. So sorry for your loss. Gina Fiore*

**Gina Fiore** - October 11, 2019 at 12:00 PM



*I am George paquette son. Jerry was my uncle. I live in bourbonnais now my name is Kevin paquette*

**Kevin paquette** - October 13, 2022 at 11:11 PM



“ *Carla Scheppler lit a candle in memory of Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette*



**Carla Scheppler** - October 11, 2019 at 12:34 AM

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“ JERRY'S MHS CLASSMATES OF 1954  
purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of  
Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette.



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**JERRY'S MHS CLASSMATES OF 1954** - October 10, 2019 at  
01:58 PM

MF

“ Went on a couple golf trips to Alabama with Jerry and my dad good  
times had by all R.I.P my friend

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**Mike favors** - October 09, 2019 at 05:59 PM

JB

“ Sorry to see this Dale & Cheryl, Jerry was one of the friendliest guys  
I have ever known, a very nice man. So Long Jerry.

*Jerry the Mailman*

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**jerry bjick** - October 09, 2019 at 03:35 PM

GT

“ I remember many Saturday nights when when my Mom and Dad  
Gerald and Jean would plays cards ( euchre ) til wee hours of the  
morning . There were sounds of laughter, instructions and joking,  
that could be heard throughout the house. They always had a good  
time when they were together playing cards. Now that they all  
together (with the other card players). I am sure there are some all  
having some good euchre games.

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**Gina Paquette Thompso** - October 08, 2019 at 11:49 PM

MF

“ Mike Favors lit a candle in memory of Gerald (Jerry) Francis Paquette



Mike favors - October 08, 2019 at 08:40 PM



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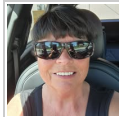


Brown Funeral Home - October 08, 2019 at 08:18 PM

JA

*I remember this day like it was yesterday. 14 1/2 yrs ago they said "IDo" Will miss you loads Jerry. One of the best guys ever.*

Judy Jo Arbour - October 08, 2019 at 08:18 PM



*So very sorry for your loss. He was a sweet man and great friend to our family. Prayers to all.*

Renee Hoots - October 08, 2019 at 08:41 PM

DA

*my across the alley neighbor, puppycat. i remember baseball and basketball games. your dad took us to see bill dickey and charley keller of the Yankees in Wilmington. We had some great times. my condolences to your Family and brother Edmund. SHONK*

darrell - October 11, 2019 at 02:01 PM