



## Bernadette "Bernie" Johnston

November 14, 1923 - April 16, 2016

Bernadette "Bernie" Johnston, 92 of Bourbonnais, passed away April 16, 2016 at Presence Our Lady of Victory Nursing Home. She was born Nov. 14, 1923 in the family home in Bourbonnais to Fred and Blanche (Forgue) Menard. Bernie married James T. Johnston Feb. 23, 1946. He died March 16, 1985. During the war, Bernie worked at the Joliet Arsenal. After marrying James, she became a homemaker and raised her 7 children. She was a longtime member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bonnie Bells of Harmony Barbershop Chorus and she was a Cub Scout Den mother for all of her boys.

Bernadette is survived by three sons and two daughters in law; Joseph Johnston of Kankakee, John (June) Johnston of Kankakee, Jeffrey (Deborah) Johnston of Momence and three daughters and sons in law; Jackie (Bill) Neff of Bradley, Jane (Dan) O'Connor of Kankakee, Joann (Ken) Schmidt of Cypress, TX, one sister; Sr. Jerome Marie Menard SSCM "Babe", 14 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one son James Johnston, 8 brothers and 4 sisters.

There will be a visitation from 4 to 7PM Tuesday April 19th at the Schreffler Funeral Home, Bourbonnais Chapel. There will be a funeral Mass at St Joseph Catholic Church at 10AM Wednesday April 20th, officiated by Rev Anthony Nugent. Burial will follow at Maternity Cemetery, Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to the family's wishes. Please sign her guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Maternity BVM Cemetery

Bourbonnais, IL 60914

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Bourbonnais Chapel  
1100 N. Convent St.  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-2421

## Funeral Mass

APR **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
211 N. Center  
Bradley, IL 60915  
(815) 939-3573

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bernadette "Bernie" Johnston*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Dear Sweet Joann, our hearts goes out to you and all of your family. We were in this same position just 2 years ago with the loss of my Mother. Difficult doesn't come close to describing what we go through at a time like this, but we know our sweet Mothers have no more pain, no more sorrow, and will cry no more tears as they rest in the peaceful, loving arms of Jesus, and we will see them again. Lifiting you and your family in prayer.....I love you!*

*Chuck and Debbie Soules*

Debbie Soules - April 20, 2016 at 02:27 PM



“ *Dear Family of Bernadette Johnston, My prayer and sympathy are with you .Fr. Don Wehnert, csv Celebrated our Mass this am for Bernadette at Presence Our Lady of Victory. I am sure she was with us in spirit. Blessings, Sr.Martha,sscm*

Sister Martha Harrington,sscm - April 18, 2016 at 12:49 PM



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“ *Sister Inga lit a candle in memory of  
Bernadette "Bernie" Johnston*



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**Sister Inga** - April 16, 2016 at 10:15 AM