



Dorothea L. Buckman

August 27, 1924 - September 9, 2023

Loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Dorothea L. Buckman, age 99, of Kankakee, passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 9, 2023, at Butterfield Assisted Living in Kankakee.

She was born August 27, 1924, in Mount Carroll, the daughter of William & Hattie Mae Law Edwards.

She married Arthur Buckman on December 20, 1942. She waited patiently for his return in 1945 from WW2 when they began building their lives together. He preceded her in death in 2011, after 69 years of a fulfilling life of faith, family and marriage.

Dorothea worked at the family owned and operated business, Home Appliance in the Fabric Department. She had also been a secretary at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. She also served as past president of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Dorothea taught Sunday school for 25 years. Her life of serving and helping others as well as her devotion to family will always be remembered by all those who shared her love.

She enjoyed many hobbies including Bridge, sewing, needlepointing, gardening and canning.

She was a longtime member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School where all her children were educated.

Surviving are her children, Paul Buckman of Kankakee, Judy & Thomas Splawski of Westlake, OH, David & Deborah Buckman of Westminster, SC, and Jane & Ronald Betts of St. Petersburg, FL; nine grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her husband, Dorothea is preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Arthea Paulos; and six siblings, Mildred, William, Blanche, Marvin, Helen, and Joyce.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the 11:30 a.m. funeral service on Monday, September 18, 2023, at Schreffler Funeral Home in Kankakee. Rev. Karl Koeppen will officiate the service.

Interment will follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421
(815) 423-9958
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 18. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

SEP 18. 11:30 AM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
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Kankakee, IL 60901
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Tribute Wall

JE

“ I personally did not know Mrs. Buckman, but knew Art real well, my family once lived at 1175 Westlawn Dr. in Kankakee, and I think they were next door to us. And was friends of my parents. I knew Art's brother Jerry also. And would like to send heart warming condolences to the family in behalf of my long ago gone parents.

Jim Enz - January 08, 2024 at 08:46 PM

DB

“ Aunt Dot was a Godly woman who led me by her example of servant leadership.
I will never forget how she sewed Arthea's bridesmaids gowns and created our lovely hats.
Aunt Dot was soft spoken around me. She was a master at her handiwork whether the work of household and cooking or of her crafts. She knew how to love and always be present when anyone needed her. We shall miss your presence on earth, Aunt Dot, but we're confident of your presence with God now. Love from Doris and my family

Doris Buckman - September 18, 2023 at 07:02 PM

SO

“ I'm so sorry I was not able to attend sweet Dorthea's wake and funeral, but covid had different plans for me. Know I am with you in spirit. I treasure my memories with Dorthea, my favorite was going with her to visit Arthea in Connecticut at Pete's house. My deepest sympathy to all. I'm sure her and Arthea are dancing and laughing together in heaven. Sending love, hugs and prayers to all. ❤️

SueAnn O'Connor - September 18, 2023 at 10:15 AM

JM

“ My Parents were Frieda & Earl Mayes!
I remember your Parents well, through yrs of patronizing Home
Appliance & them socializing with my Parents!! 👍 ☐ Remember
visiting with your Mom & Dad at Miller! Took my Mom across the
Hall to Jerry’s room when I noticed your Mom there too!! They had
great visits reminiscing even then!!💕
RIP Mrs. Buckman!!🙏🙏🙏

Joyce Mayes-Jackson - September 14, 2023 at 05:21 AM

PZ

“ My sincere condolences to all of you. I remember your mom well
from my Sunday School days a St.Paul's.

Paul Ziemer - September 13, 2023 at 12:12 PM