



## Jean Parlin

February 21, 1924 - July 25, 2016

Jean A. Parlin, 92, of Kankakee, passed away on July 25, 2016 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital. She was born on February 21, 1924 in Anderson, IN to Joseph Wallace and Genevieve (Grider) Hall. She married Dr. Merl Parlin on September 20, 1946 at Central Christian Church in Anderson, IN where she was a member. Merl preceded her in death on June 23, 2006.

Jean graduated from Anderson Indiana High School in 1942 and graduated from Michigan State University of Agriculture and Applied Science with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1946. While at Michigan State University she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Beta Pi Booster from 1943-1946. She was a member of the P.E.O. sisterhood State of Illinois and a member of the Kankakee County Mental Health Center Board of Directors from 1971-1985. Jean was a real estate agent for Soucie Realty from 1977-2002. She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Kankakee, IL and was also a deacon at the church. She was an American Red Cross board member. She was the first woman on the Board of Directors at Heritage House.

Jean is survived by her son; Tom (Joyce) Parlin of Manteno, daughter; Linda Zullo of Kankakee one granddaughter Gia (Neil) Zullo-Tutt of Bourbonnais and 1 great grandson; Liam . She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband; Dr. Merl Parlin.

Visitation will be held on Monday, August 1, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until the 7:00 p.m. funeral service at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee Chapel. Rev. Carole DiZeo will officiate at the funeral. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or New Beginnings for Cats ([www.newbeginningsforcats.org](http://www.newbeginningsforcats.org)).

Schreffler Funeral Home and its staff is honored to service the Parlin family. Please sign Jean's guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

AUG 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jean Parlin*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Tom and Linda -- I just found the news of your mother's death. We have wondered for the past few years how she was doing. Bill and I (and our kids) all send our sympathy. Your parents were very important to us during our 5 years in Kankakee.*

*I started with the newspaper but then am so glad I went to the Schreffler site where we discovered all those wonderful pictures from throughout her life.*

*Our love and prayers are with you.*

*Susan and Bill Plank  
Kohler, WI*

Susan Plank - April 05, 2017 at 11:46 PM



“ *I remember Jean's big smile...all the time!! My father, Henry Piggush, lived across the hall from Jean at Presence. In the dining room, it was comical to watch her eat a little, especially her sweets. Then she'd try to leave saying she had finished eating her meal. But with a laugh and a huge smile, she'd obediently wheel herself back to her table and pretend to eat a little more. My other memory was watching her "steal" packages of cookies from the hall snack table. What a wonderful lady. She will be greatly missed by all. Gloria LaGesse*

Gloria LaGesse - July 30, 2016 at 02:04 PM



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**Schreffler Funeral Home** - July 28, 2016 at 02:01 PM

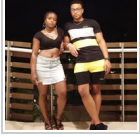
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“ Dear family: Your mother Jean was truly a wonderful lady. I got to know her when she shopped at the grocery store I worked at. Then she sold us our house that we still live in today (32 years). She also gave me a Longerberger basket as a housewarming/thank yo gift. Mush to my husband's dismay that started my collection of baskets. To this day I still have the one she gave me. It holds fond memories for me. I hope your special memories of your mom help lift you up on those days when your sadness overwhelms you. She touched many lives and will be missed.

*Paula Sutter*

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**Paula Sutter** - July 28, 2016 at 09:16 AM



“ *My heart goes out to the family of Jean Parlin. I am unfortunately very familiar with the pain you all are experiencing at this time. Please search for comfort and strength in our God, the God of all comfort. (2 Cor. 1:3) and never forgot God's promise for us of a resurrection. (Job 14:14,15) Please accept my dearest condolences.*

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**Clint'n Platt** - July 27, 2016 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Dear Family Members, I send my sympathy to all family members over the passing of Jean. When I first came to Heritage Village Jean was one of the first residents that befriended me. We would talk, at great lengths, about "life in general." Jean was always interested in what was going on with me and my flute circle along with everything else. Jean would tell me about her times over seas. It was good to share our stories with one another. I will miss Jean's friendly spirit. Blessings of remembrances and comfort, Chaplain Carole R. DiZeo from Presence Heritage Village in Kankakee*

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**Chaplain Carole R. DiZeo** - July 27, 2016 at 09:35 AM