



James Edward Kral

February 2, 1917 - February 20, 2014

James E. Kral

Age 97, of Wilmington, IL, passed away Thursday, February 20, 2014 at Rosewood Care Center in Joliet, IL. Born February 2, 1917 to the late Frank and Annie (nee Riha) Kral. James retired in 1979 from the Carpenters Union, Local #174 in Joliet, IL. He was a member of the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Wilmington, Knights of Columbus #1574 and the American Legion Koca Post #39, both in Braidwood, IL. He enjoyed traveling, including spending nineteen winters in Arizona.

Surviving are his wife, Bernice (nee Calahan), whom he married October 22, 1942 in Braidwood; two daughters, Rosann Bonselaar of Wheaton and Frances Strader of Chicago; seven grandchildren, Angela Schaefer, Aaron Fox, Anthony (Alicia) Fox, Ashley (Phil) Strader-Penton, Kory (Diane) Bonselaar, Sean (Dana) Bonselaar, and Brian (Amy) Bonselaar; seven great grandchildren, Joshua Schaefer, Noemi Fox, Ella Penton, Alyson Bonselaar, Ty Bonselaar, Dax Bonselaar, and Luke Bonselaar; and nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were one brother, Frank Kral; and one sister, Rose Booth.

Cremation rites will be accorded. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be at the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Wilmington, Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation one hour preceding services. Rev. Steve

Bondi will officiate. Inurnment with military honors will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be directed to the donor's choice. R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, in charge of arrangements. For more information and to sign his online guestbook, please log onto www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
604 S. Kankakee Street
Wilmington, IL 60481

Service

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Bernice, Rosann and Frena,
You have my sympathy on the loss of your husband and father.
Lorna McComb Berard*

Lorna Berard - March 09, 2014 at 01:33 PM

SS

“ *Bernice, Rosann & Fran, we were so sorry to hear of your Dad's
passing. Our thoughts are with you. Susan & Jim Stanley Mary
Turan*

Susan Stanley - February 25, 2014 at 06:13 PM

PW

“ *Bernice, Fran, and Rosann--
We are so sorry for your loss. In the relatively short time we knew
him, we found Jim to be a delightful man and always fun to see. We
will miss seeing him. Sorry, we got word this morning that our
flowers were not delivered today, but we have been thinking of you.
Wishing the best going forward for you all.
With love,
Pam & Jesús*

Pam White - February 25, 2014 at 03:49 PM

VF

“ *Bernice , Fran and Rosann, I am so sad to hear of the loss of your loving husband , father, grandfather, great grandfather and my special friend. There are no words to say that adequately express how very special he was to me and how his ribbing me about something will be missed. When I think of him, it brings a smile to my face but also an ache to my heart. You and your families are in my thoughts and prayers now and always.*

Valerie Fox

Valerie Fox - February 24, 2014 at 09:29 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Edward Kral.*



February 24, 2014 at 08:38 PM

BR

“ *Bernice and Family*
We were so sorry to hear about Jim. Although it's been so many years since our family lived next door to you, we were so blessed to have had such wonderful friends and neighbors as you and Jim. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Our deepest sympathy

Ron Jones & Family

Don & Brenda (Jones) Riley

Brenda Riley - February 24, 2014 at 05:20 PM

GB

“ *Bernice, We are so sorry to hear about Jim passing away. He was a special guy and we always enjoyed your company. Our Sincere Sympathy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Gary & Barb Brieser*

Gary & Barb Brieser - February 24, 2014 at 02:21 PM

CC

“ *Bernice and Family: So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. He will be missed.*

*Bob and Blanche Cinotto
Linda (Cinotto) Fairall
Jim and Mary Cinotto
Bruce and Charlene (Cinotto) Carter*

Char Carter - February 24, 2014 at 02:03 PM

DG

“ *Bernice, Fran, and Rosann, We are so sorry you have lost Jim. He was a special guy.
Our deepest sympathy, Deb & Max Glass*

Deb Glass - February 21, 2014 at 08:56 AM

HL

“ *Bernice and family, you have. My deepest sympathies and prayers with the loss of Jim. He was a very nice person and will be missed.*

HELEN LAMPING - February 20, 2014 at 03:17 PM