



Frances M. Kessel

April 6, 1941 - December 2, 2022

Frances M. Kessel age 81 of Amboy died on Friday Dec. 2, 2022 at Mercy Health Javon Bea Hospital in Rockford, IL. She was born on April 6, 1941 in Amboy, IL the daughter of Philip and Lois (Keelin) Haley. Frances worked for Beggs Certified Foods from 1974 to 2002 prior to her retirement. She was a life long member at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy, where she taught CCD for 16 years and faithfully sang and played the guitar in the choir. She also served on the Teen Turf Board as Treasurer for 11 years and remained as a member since 2016, and was a member of the "Chicks from the Sticks". Frances married Bernard C. Kessel on March 26, 1960 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. He preceded her in death on Feb. 15, 2015. She is preceded in death by her parents, step father Harold Hike, granddaughter Amanda Jo, brother John Haley, sons in law Jack O'Callaghan, Brian Cheshier, and brother in law Ronald Laws. Frances is survived by her children Angela O'Callaghan of Bartlett, Amy (Jeff) Reed of Amboy, Michele Cheshier of Rock Falls, Michael A. (Patti) Kessel of Littleton IL, Danette (David) Trupp of Bloomington, 12 grandchildren Ashley (Jeffrey) Bryant, Abigail (Colin) Shields, Michael (Michaela) Reed, Haley Cheshier, Catherine Cheshier, Christine Cheshier, Alyssa (Willy) Bender, Joshua (Tiffany) Kessel, Levi Kessel, Alexandra Kessel, Kaetlin (Cal) Urycki, Jared Trupp, 7 great grandchildren Everly Bryant, Emelia Bryant, Brody Bryant, Logan Shields, Parker Shields, Brentlee Kessel, Elsie Mae Urycki, one sister Sharonne Laws of Belvidere IL, one brother Jim Haley of Amboy and many wonderful nieces

and nephews. Funeral service will be on Friday Dec. 9, 2022 at 10:30 AM at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. Burial will follow at St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be on Thursday Dec. 8, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM with a saying of the Rosary at 7:30 PM at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy and then again on Friday Dec. 9 from 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy. A Memorial has been established to Teen Turf in Amboy.

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy

816 Rockyford Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
Amboy, IL 61310
(815) 857-2611
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

DEC 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy
32 N. Jones
Amboy, IL 61310
mail@stpatrickamboy.org
<http://www.stpatrickamboy.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Frances M. Kessel*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Frances M. Kessel*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Fran was far and away my dad's favorite cousin. I remember the family reunions she would host when I was little. Fran was there for my mom when Dad passed. She was a beautiful person and will be very missed. Cynthia (Haley) Wiley*

Cynthia Wiley - December 09, 2022 at 10:15 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Frances M. Kessel.*



December 07, 2022 at 12:24 PM

JM

“ *Fran was always a very talented lady. She and I rode the same bus to school. I remember her always being in love with my cousin Bern and by golly she married him. They had a wonderful marriage. I am so sorry for your loss. Remember all the good times you have had with her, and know she is now with her one true love! Janet (Kessel) Metheny*

JANET METHENY - December 06, 2022 at 04:52 PM

JM

“ *JANET METHENY lit a candle in memory of Frances Kessel*



JANET METHENY - December 06, 2022 at 04:45 PM

SC

“ *My deepest sympathy to you Sharonne and your family. It is always hard when someone dear to you passes but life goes on. May she rest in peace.*
From Shirley Cotter

Shirley Cotter - December 04, 2022 at 07:47 PM

MB

“ *Marilyn Braidia lit a candle in memory of Frances Kessel*



Marilyn Braidia - December 04, 2022 at 06:27 PM

GS

“ Gary Schultz lit a candle in memory of Frances Kessel



Gary Sylvia Schultz - December 04, 2022 at 06:15 PM

MB

“ Marilyn Braida lit a candle in memory of Frances Kessel



Marilyn Braida - December 04, 2022 at 02:57 PM