



Joan Mary McConnell

February 16, 1932 - December 24, 2025

Joan Mary McConnell, age 93, of Crown Point, IN, passed away on December 24, 2025. She was born in 1932 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Andrew Barnishan and Helen Nemeth Barnishan Stenger. She married after graduating from high school to James McConnell. Joan graduated from high school in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. After graduating high school, she worked for the Federal Reserve Bank. She moved to Indiana in 1969 and continued her career in banking. Joan worked at Chase Bank (formerly Bank of Indiana) as teller supervisor until her retirement. Joan loved to play cards and travel. Anyone that had a deck of cards in their hand she was ready to play. Joan traveled throughout the United States and Europe. The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Majestic Care (St. Anthony) and Franciscan Hospital for their kindness and care extended to Joan. Joan was preceded in death by her husband, James McConnell. She is survived by her daughter, Kim Field (David); son, James McConnell (Cyndi) and grandson, Wesley Field. A memorial visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, from 9 a.m. until time of Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. directly at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs South Campus (formerly Our Lady of Consolation), 8303 Taft Street, Merrillville, IN. Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, Crown Point, IN, entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 6. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Parish - South Campus
8303 W. Taft St.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I've had the pleasure of knowing Joan for at least 20 years. She was a wonderful person and lady. We had a lot of good laughs and visits together. My husband and I will always miss her.. rest in peace, sweet lady.

jerri lambert - January 06 at 10:58 AM

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“ For years Joan joined Ann, Rosemarie, and Margaret for Friday breakfasts. She became a friendly addition to the group. Our condolences to the family.
The Margaret Graves family

Margaret Graves - January 04 at 09:17 PM

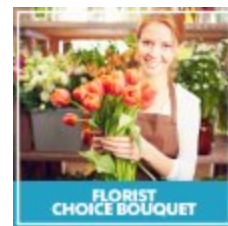
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“ Joan was a gem. I had the pleasure of being her haircutter for many years. She had a great sense of humor and I looked forward to her hair appointments. Prayers go out to her family and many friends.

Margie Haniford - January 02 at 03:04 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Mary McConnell.



January 01 at 12:05 PM

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“ Cathy Edwards planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joan Mary McConnell.

Cathy Edwards - January 01 at 12:05 PM