



## Joyce M. Burkhart

July 19, 1927 - January 13, 2012

Joyce M. Burkhart (nee Duket) age 84, of Merrillville, passed away on Friday, January 13, 2012. Joyce was born in Milwaukee, WI, she moved to Gary in 1954 and Merrillville in 2002. She was previously a member of Blessed Sacrament parish and the Rosary Sodality and helped organize the school library. She was a current member of Our Lady of Consolation Church. Joyce retired from G.W. Berkheimer Company after 30 years of service. She was an active member of Pi Sigma Phi Sorority, Gary Chapter and assisted the Lake County Association for the Retarded. Joyce loved to bird watch, read and was an avid bridge player. She enjoyed traveling with her friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman and parents, Myrtle and Howard Duket. Joyce is survived by her children, Michael (Diane) Burkhart of Wheaton, IL and Linda (Stephen) Sprauer of Carol Stream, IL; 4 grandchildren, Barrie Burkhart, Andrew (Colleen), Samuel, and Stephanie Sprauer.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Wednesday, January 18, 2012, 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Consolation Church, 8303 Taft Street, Merrillville. Rev. Peter J. Muha and Msgr. John Siekierski concelebrating. Mrs. Burkhart will lie in state at Our Lady of Consolation Church from 9:30 a.m. to time of Mass. Interment at Calumet Park Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. Contributions may be made to the St. Anthony Hospice.



# Tribute Wall



“ My deepest sympathy to your family at this time. Linda, I wish I could be there with you tomorrow as you were with me when my Mom passed - but I will be there in in spirit. I am praying for God's grace and peace to all.##imported-begin##Cynthia Lacken##imported-end##

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“ Our deepest sympathy to Joycel's family. Joyce was a member of our Lunch Bunch and when she would feel up to it she would be there toasting her glass of wine. Joe and I would put her walker in the trunk of the car and off we would go. We will miss her.##imported-begin##Joyce Buchholz##imported-end##

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