



## Mary Ellen O'Brien

June 21, 1924 - October 20, 2016

Mary Ellen O'Brien, age 92 of Crown Point, passed away peacefully October 20, 2016. She graduated from Gary Emerson High School, Class of '43, and volunteered at St. Anthony Hospital. Mary Ellen was a longtime member of Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother. Mary Ellen will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her husband- Terrance; son- Patrick; 4 siblings. Mary Ellen is survived by her loving children- Kay O'Brien, Timothy (Laura) O'Brien, Marlene (Timothy) Mentink, Joan O'Brien, Peggy O'Brien, Mary Beth (Ed) Bartley; 8 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; sister- Dorothy O'Brien; several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held from 2-8 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 2016, at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, at Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church, 8303 Taft St., Merrillville, IN, beginning with prayers at Burns Funeral Home at 9:15 a.m. Interment at Calvary Cemetery, Portage. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2701 Willowdale Road  
Portage, IN 46368

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
10101 Broadway  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
(219) 769-0044  
info@burnsfuneral.com  
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Consolation  
8303 Taft St.  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Tribute Wall

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“ Peggy purchased the A Devoted Heart Casket Insert for the family of Mary Ellen O'Brien.



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**Peggy** - October 24, 2016 at 12:24 PM

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“ The Hannon's purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mary Ellen O'Brien.



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**The Hannon's** - October 22, 2016 at 01:47 PM

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“ i remember mom and dad getting ready to go out and square dance, trying to get sitters to watch seven kids. Mom had seven kids and was still skinny, what happened to me? haha. i remember watching tv with her Lawrence Welk, Liberace (who we would tell her that he was gay, and she would say, stop, no he isn't) Dean martin show, i even loved to watch him. i remember when the kids(kay, tim, marlene and pat) working at mcdonalds; when they worked late, before everyone drove, i got to sit up with her and watch old movies. this was my favorite memory, just me and her. She would sit up waiting for dad to come home from working midnights. sometimes we walked to aunt dollys down 6th avenue, and sometimes to grammas on 8th and carolina. Mom liked living so close to her sisters and grandma and grampa. I think we stayed in Gary so long even after mr. bercaw was shot, (that is the way it was, before mr. bercaw was shot and after- everyones world changed) She did not want to leave her mom. Maryellen loved grandma more than anyone i think. i remember that after grandma died mom tells of a story where grandma came to her in a dream and said "let me go MaryEllen" - grandma wanted to go to heaven and mom was keeping her earthbound. i remember all of the sunday dinners and christmas, and easters and walking to church on sundays, St. lukes school and how we wore gloves and hats and those little small veils we wore, mom always always dressed clean sharp and just perfect.

No matter how little my mom and dad had growing up they made sure that we had. we have bikes and a swing set and that thing that went round and round\ ( we were playing on it in the garage one rainy day - and i flew off it and thru all and i do mean all of the storm windows, i had to go in and tell mom what i did. She ripped up my shirt and shorts looking for cuts in case she had to run me to the hospital, but there were none. and i broke a lot of windows - i guess i was a clutz. i remember mom putting out peggys hair when it caught on fire\ ( mom used her aprin) pat had raked all the leaves into all the corners of the house and was setting them on fire - hahah - tim was running behind him stomping them out, he was

*yelling and me, mom and peggy stuck out heads out of the door and that is when peggy's hair caught on fire. i remember moms cat fluffy and all of the kittens that they had. i remember moms dog blacky and she was her best friend. mom liked to dance, play cards, and have coffee with her friends.*

*i will always have my memories and now we have mom and dad in heaven to pray for us ALL of us.*

**WE LOVE AND MISS YOU MOM.**

*joan*

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**joan** - October 22, 2016 at 09:15 AM



“ *Marlene, Please accept my condolences on the loss of your mother. God bless you and your family! Kathy Laslow*

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**Kathy Laslow** - October 21, 2016 at 10:00 PM

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“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



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**joan** - October 21, 2016 at 01:37 PM