



Jeannette C. Parris

August 30, 1922 - May 16, 2014

Jeannette C. Parris (nee Boley)

"A gentle passing for a gentle lady" on Friday, May 16, 2014 at her late Minooka residence. Jeannette C. Parris was born the daughter of the late Kulzer and Charlotte Boley (nee Zemple) in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

On June 26, 1948 she was united in marriage to Kenneth B. Parris, to this union they were blessed with three children, Jeanine Parris Calogero, Tom Parris and wife, Micki and John Parris and wife, Shelley. Dear grandmother of seven and great grandmother of eleven; devoted sister of John (the late Cherie) Boley and Rich (Carol) Boley, Also surviving is her sister in law, Rose Boley, her dedicated caretaker and friend Renee' Malarz as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her parents, her dearly loved husband, Kenneth (2005); her sister, Patricia; and brother, Tom.

Jeannette was the eldest of five children. As such she often took on the role of "little Mother." This translated in her adult life to a passionate interest in children's education. She was educated at The College of St. Teresa in Winona, Minnesota under the Sisters of St. Francis. She taught school for over 35 years. Most of that time was spent teaching first grade in Channahon, IL,

a job she dearly loved as was intensely devoted to. As her college roommate

once

told her at a CST reunion, "do you realize how many little lives you have sent off on a path of education?" After retiring, she turned her attention to tutoring her grandchildren and most definitely credited with teaching her youngest granddaughter, Lynnette, to read. A friend and colleague once said, "She is the only true lady I have ever known." With her passing goes a great deal of what grace and true beauty is left in the world.

Funeral Services for Jeannette C. Parris will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014

at 9:15 AM at The Maple Funeral Home located at 24300 W. Ford Rd., Channahon to

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Minooka for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM. Interment St. Mary Cemetery, Minooka. Visitation Monday, May 19, 2014 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM. For information www.themaplefuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Jeannette C. Parris*

January 29, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ *Truly a kind and gentle lady and superb teacher. I was very fortunate to have her as my teacher. Mrs Parris, I will miss you.*

Andrea Torkelson Hanford - May 20, 2014 at 08:56 PM



“ *She was my first grade teacher and she was great. A very careing and an inspirationrational lady.We use to melt crayons on the wall heater.May peace and blessing come to your family at this time and a sense of comfort.She cared about the students she taught. I did not know it then but as I look back at times, I realize how lucky I was to have a teacher like her.*

Ed musich - May 19, 2014 at 10:00 PM

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“ To Mrs. Parris' family...

Lifting up prayers for you during this time of loss. Mrs. Parris was such a special part of my attitude and joy of learning and loving school. She eased that difficult separation from home to school by loving and caring like a mom as my first grade teacher. She was my school mom. She was a wonderful teacher and person. She taught me and my sisters at Channahon Grade School and my mom at Minooka High School! What a difference she made in my life. What great memories I have of her playing the piano and leading us in song. Even after my children were grown and I would see her at the SuperValu, she would remember me and asked about my family by name. I always felt that she was part of my forever family. I am so blessed to have had her in my life! May your time of sadness and loss be replaced more and more everyday with great memories of a woman who lovingly gave of herself during her lifetime and was loved by many.

Marilyn (Torkelson) Klotz

Marilyn (Torkelson) Klotz - May 19, 2014 at 12:03 PM



“ *What a wonderful woman Mrs. Paris was. Touched so many people in a positive way. She will forever be on that favorite teacher list. Heaven has gained a beautiful Angel. RIP*

Kim Stroud Slack - May 18, 2014 at 10:20 PM

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“ I was one of the many children in Channahon that was Blessed to have Mrs. Paris as my 1st grade teacher. Such a sweet lady...and so gentle with the children. I loved her very much as I'm sure each of her students did. She was a wonderful first teacher...she taught me to read...thank you, Mrs. Paris..

Kathy Avery - May 18, 2014 at 09:49 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Paris was my first grade teacher and my favorite person of all time. Patty Musich

Patty Musich - May 18, 2014 at 09:41 PM

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James More - May 18, 2014 at 04:29 PM

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I am the girl next to Mrs. Parris...Marilyn (Torkelson) Klotz. I loved this woman. She was like a mother to me while I was away at school. She instilled in me the joy of learning. She made a huge impact on my life and I'm sure many others. She even remembered me when I saw her out and about when my own children were grown! What a special lady and so glad God allowed her to be a part of my life.

Marilyn(Torkelson) Klotz - May 19, 2014 at 11:31 AM