



## Bernice A. Wellen

November 5, 1930 - November 4, 2015

Bernice A. Wellen, age 84 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, November 4, 2015, at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, IL.

She was born on Wednesday, November 5, 1930, in St Rose, IL, the daughter of Theodore and Gertrude (nee Kampwerth) Schrage.

On Wednesday, October 5, 1949, she married George H. Wellen, who passed away on March 30, 2010.

She was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church, Local #840, International Union of Electronic Electrical, Salaried, Machine & Furniture Workers, AFL/CIO - Highland, IL, Catholic Knights and Ladies of Illinois (Highland Chapter), and a former member of the Daughters of Isabella Sacred Heart Circle 237 of Highland.

Bernice was born in St. Rose, IL and grew up there. At the age of 15, she moved to Highland and worked at St. Joseph Hospital for a few years. She later worked for Highland Supply, then Basler Electric from 1984 to 1994, until retiring. She and her husband operated a grain and livestock farm northeast of Highland in Saline Township. She enjoyed playing cards with the ladies card club and spending time with her friends at several local restaurants. She was a daily communicant of St. Paul Church.

Survivors include:

Son - Lowell G. (Denise) Wellen, Highland, IL  
Son - Lee J. (Lucy) Wellen, Highland, IL  
Son - Luke T. (Sue) Wellen, Highland, IL  
Daughter - Laurie A. (Gary) Todt, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Travis L. (Stephanie) Wellen, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Leah M. Wellen, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Tara L. Wellen, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Michelle Y. (Michael) Spillers, Maryville, IL  
Grandchild - Marshall A. (Candace) Todt, O Fallon, MO  
Grandchild - Sydney S. Wellen, Highland, IL  
Great Grandchild - Jaisen E. Wellen, Highland, IL  
Great Grandchild - Myles J. Spillers, Maryville, IL  
Great Grandchild - Mason G. Spillers, Maryville, IL  
Great Grandchild - Brody L. Davis, Maryville, IL  
Brother - Leander (Dolores) Schrage, Carlyle, IL  
Brother - Theodore (Marie) Schrage, Pocahontas, IL  
Sister In-law - Judy Schrage, St. Rose, IL

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Theodore J. Schrage (Died 1984)  
Mother - Gertrude Schrage nee Kampwerth (Died 1948)  
Husband - George H. Wellen (Died 3/30/2010)  
Brother - Alexander Schrage, St. Rose, IL  
Sister - Leora H. Varel (Died 10/30/2003)  
Brother In-law - John Varel

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 8:30 AM to 9:45 AM on Friday, November 6, 2015, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral mass will be at 10:00 AM on Friday, November 06, 2015, at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL., with Father Pat G. Jakel, officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

Highland, IL

# Previous Events

## Morning Visitation

NOV 6. 8:30 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland  
1501 9th Street  
P.O. Box 187  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-2133  
[info@spengel-boulanger.com](mailto:info@spengel-boulanger.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Bernice A. Wellen.*



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November 05, 2015 at 01:41 PM



“ *Dear Lowell, Luke, Lee and Laurie, We're so very sorry to hear of your loss...we have wonderful memories of all the years your family lived next to ours. I remember your mom as a sweet lady who never got mad when we hit a baseball through the window! (Which was often!) We know she is watching you from heaven. Loving thoughts, Terry, Susie and Vince Jakel*

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**Terry Jakel** - November 04, 2015 at 06:31 PM



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**Dennis Dvorachek** - November 04, 2015 at 05:27 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about the loss of your Mother. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Rich, Carla (Haselhorst) & J.R. Tschernery*

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**Carla Tschernery** - November 04, 2015 at 02:17 PM