



Leone "Lonnie" Kraft

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Leone "Lonnie" Kraft, age 84, of Camanche, passed away on Friday, July 11, 2025, at Genesis East in Davenport.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Clinton. Burial will follow at Clinton Lawn Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Corby Burkett, Brady McCray, Jim Gard, Steve Rolen, Tim McDermott, and Dale Bennett. Honorary pallbearers are Mason Esch, Henry Eskola, and Archer Stevens.

Visitation will take place from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at the Clinton Chapel of Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes & Crematory. Online condolences may be shared by visiting her obituary at www.snellzornig.com.

Leone Ann Kahler was born on October 4, 1940, in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Karl and Laura (Probst) Kahler. A 1958 graduate of St. Mary's High School, Lonnie was a Class Officer, National Honor Society member, Latin Club participant, and active in the Glee Club and State Music Festival. She also won the Clinton County Spelling Bee.

She earned her nursing degree from St. Ambrose University and later completed her master's degree at the University of Iowa, becoming a Nurse Practitioner through the University of Illinois-Chicago. She was a member of Sigma Theta Tau, International Honor Society of Nursing.

On June 6, 1964, she married Robert Kraft in Clinton. He preceded her in death on November 16, 2009.

Lonnie began her nursing career with Dr. O'Donnell at Medical Associates and later taught nursing at Clinton Community College. She later served as Director of Nursing at The Alverno before returning to school at the University of Illinois-Chicago's Quad Cities Satellite Office to



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become a Nurse Practitioner. Lonnie concluded her career working with Dr. Hansen and Dr. Woods in Mt. Carroll and Savanna before retiring.

A member of Prince of Peace Parish, Lonnie found joy in family gatherings, playing the piano, cards, reading, sewing, cooking, and proudly hosting the family's annual Memorial Day reunion for many years.

She is survived by her children:

Steve (Connie) Kraft of Clinton

Sue (Steve) Rolan of Franklin, Tennessee

Tom (Joe Branham) Kraft of Franklin, Tennessee

Angela (Corby) Burkett of Sterling, Illinois

Grandchildren:

Olivia (Stephen) Esch, Allyson (Conor) Stevens,

Hannah (Levi) Eskola, Natalie (Jaden Hunter) Rolan,

Brady McCray, Madison McCray, and Rachel Branham-Kraft

Great-grandchildren:

Mason Esch, Archer Stevens, Henry Eskola, and Remi Eskola

She is also survived by:

Her sister, Donna (James) Gard of Marion, Iowa

Dear friends, Kathy and Tim McDermott



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She was preceded in death by her parents, Karl and Laura Kahler; her husband, Robert Kraft; and her grandson, Logan McCray.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association in Lonnie's memory.






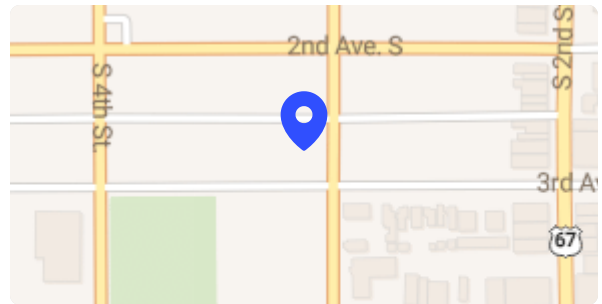
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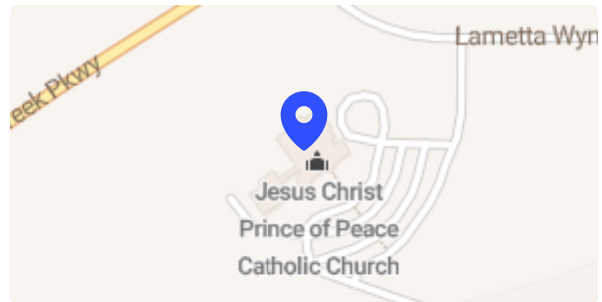
Visitation

-  **Tuesday**, July 15, 2025
-  4:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
-  **Snell-Zornig Funeral Home & Crematory, Clinton**
302 Third Avenue South, Clinton IA 52732




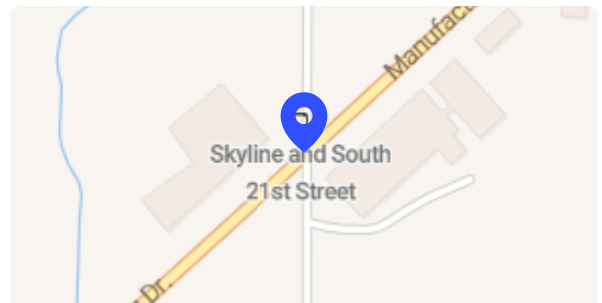
Funeral Mass

-  **Wednesday**, July 16, 2025
-  10:30 AM CT
-  **Prince of Peace Catholic Church**
1105 Lametta Wynn Dr, Clinton IA 52732



Cemetery Details

-  **Clinton Lawn Cemetery**
2100 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton IA 52732





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Christy Paul posted:

We will be missing our Dear Friend at the Block breakfasts on the third thursday of the month. She was a special person and enjoyed her contributions to the get togethers. She will be missed by all who knew her. My Sincere Sympathy to Lonnie's Family. (neighbor) Christy Paul (momone954@gmail.com. (Maegan Goddards mom)

July 18 at 8:51 AM



Dinna And Gary Mulholland posted:

I worked with Lonnie at Medical Associates. She was a great friend. She would always keep me updated about her children. She was a Very kind and caring nurse. I am so sorry that I will not be able to come to funeral. We send our deepest sympathy to her family.

July 15 at 11:44 AM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Kraft family.



July 14 at 5:58 PM



The Esch Family. sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Kraft family.



July 14 at 4:34 PM



Maureen Thyne-Ewinger posted:

Mrs. Kraft was one of my favorite nursing instructors. She was approachable and truly cared about me as a person. She helped me through some difficult times, and I am forever grateful for that blessing. I always respected her. You all have my sincere sympathy. Maureen Thyne-Ewinger

July 14 at 10:23 AM



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Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Kraft family.



July 14 at 9:03 AM



Anonymous sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Kraft family.



July 14 at 7:24 AM



Jan Beveroth lit a candle in honor of Leone "Lonnie".

First met Lonnie at Mercy many years ago. She was a wonderful nursing instructor and compassionate care provider. Super smart and well prepared. RIP. May her memory be a blessing.



July 13 at 9:20 PM



Bill Kahler posted:

As a cousin , I will always cherish the Memorial Day Kahler reunions at Bob & Lonnie's house. My kids would always ask " when do we go the party with the big backyard and play baseball with all our cousins ". Now they tell their kids of that great annual day tradition they used to look forward too. It was a day and memory that I still think of every Memorial Day. Loved getting to see all the "Kahler Gang" and Bob and Lonnie were the ultimate hosts . Rest in peace .

July 13 at 4:35 PM



Maureen sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kraft family.



July 13 at 12:50 PM



From The Mitch, Laura And Jack Doll sent a Blue Caribbean Bouquet to the Kraft family.



July 13 at 8:58 AM



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Velvet Isenhour posted:

Amazing nursing instructor! So kind and understanding! Definitely a great mentor. I recently saw her at Rastrellis, it was wonderful to see her. Prayers to the family. Heaven gained an angel, may she rest in peace and rise in glory!!! Velvet Murray Isenhour

July 12 at 8:05 PM



Barbara Mikell July 19 at 3:50 PM

I met Lonnie in nurses training at St ambrose in 1959.It was always nice to see her at reunions and carch up on events. May she rest in peace.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Leone "Lonnie" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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