



Betty Jean Ohlendorf

October 2, 1926 - January 17, 2022

Betty Jean Hack Ohlendorf, 95, of Beecher passed away on Monday, January 17 at Beecher Manor Nursing Home.

Jeanie was born on October 2, 1926, in Chicago Heights, IL to Albert (Pat) and Marie (Deneke) Hack. She was an only child and grew up in a very unique environment. As the family owned and operated the funeral home in Beecher for over 135 years, it was a huge part of her life. She was a graduate of Beecher High School and Worsham's College of Mortuary Science.

Jeanie was a 50- year Illinois Funeral Director Association Licensee and one of the first females with those credentials in the State of Illinois. Betty Jean was a businesswoman before her time. She was an owner of Hack Funeral Home and Ambulance Service serving as the bookkeeper, cosmetician and organist. She worked daily well into her late 80's.

Jeanie married Erwin (Oikie) Ohlendorf on August 3, 1946. Together they had three children; Gwen Dean, Vicki (Steve) Squier and Greg (Melissa) Ohlendorf all of Beecher. She was also blessed with four grandchildren; Clint (Nicole) Squier, Brett (Danielle) Dean, Leah (Joe) Squier-Falascetti, and Cameron (Erika) Ohlendorf and six great-grandchildren; Dylan Squier, Olivia and Bennett Dean, Ty and Max Falascetti and Theodore Ohlendorf. Betty Jean is preceded in death by her husband and son-in-law John Dean.

Jeanie loved Beecher and was active in the community. She was a life-long member of Zion Lutheran Church. She was a member of the Beecher Women's Club for over 70 years and the Amvet's Post 67 Auxiliary and a past-president of both. She was among the original volunteers of the Beecher Community Library. Jeanie also was involved with the Beecher Part-time Players as a makeup artist.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 20 from 4-8 PM with services on Friday, January 21 at 10 AM at the place she called "home". Her final resting place will be at St. Paul's Cemetery in Beecher.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Betty Jean Ohlendorf Memorial Fund. The donations will be given to the various organizations that had an impact on her life.

1 Peter 5

"And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, establish, and strengthen you."

The family requests that those who wish to pay their respects be fully masked while in the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul's Cemetery

1407 W Church Road
Beecher, IL 60401

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hack-Jensen Funeral Home
753 Hodges Street
Beecher, IL 60401
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com
<http://Hackfuneralhome.com>

Service

JAN 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LP

“ I am so sorry to hear about Jean's passing. She had a wonderful life! I will always remember the nice memories working with her at the many Beecher Part Time Players productions. Lisa Pratl-Donahue

Lisa Pratl-Donahue - February 28, 2022 at 10:14 AM

NH

“ To the Ohlendorf family,
Our sympathy and condolences to you all at he death of your mother. She will be missed by all who knew her. May God comfort you in your grief.
Neil & Ruth (Bernhard) Herzog

Neil & Ruth Herzog - January 26, 2022 at 06:13 PM

NW

“ Jeanie, you are greatly missed by many of us. I remember the many years I spent working with John, Oikie and Jeanie with Hack Ambulance. You all became like family to me and my family. Jeanie was the backbone and made sure everything ran smoothly. We will continue to keep Gwen, Vicki, Greg and all your family in our prayers. Love, Duane and Nancy Werkman

Nancy and Duane Werkman - January 20, 2022 at 09:26 PM

SS

“ Susie "Sue" Selk purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.



Susie "Sue" Selk - January 20, 2022 at 06:53 PM

MW

“ Mike Waterman lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Ohlendorf



Mike Waterman - January 20, 2022 at 03:04 PM



“ Gwen, Vicki and Greg
I was so sad to hear about the loss of your mother. She will be greatly missed in our community. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Lawrence (Larry) & Sherry Sanders Jr.

Larry Sanders Jr. - January 20, 2022 at 10:41 AM

PL

Betty was always there for me and my family in times of need she was always calming in my time of grief

Pat langreder - January 20, 2022 at 06:24 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.



January 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM

NE

“ *Gwen, Vicki and Greg*
I'm sorry about the loss of your Mother. She was a wonderful lady and mother. I'm out of town and will not be able to attend the service but my thoughts will be with all of you.
NelsonCollins

NelsonCollins - January 19, 2022 at 09:22 PM

HS

“ *Heartland Physicians and Staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



Heartland Physicians and Staff - January 19, 2022 at 05:09 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



January 19, 2022 at 03:35 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



January 19, 2022 at 02:38 PM

TM

“ *Tim Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Ohlendorf*



Tim Mitchell - January 19, 2022 at 11:05 AM

CH

“ *Often thought of this lovely lady and always enjoyed a visit with her. She knew my parents and share stories of them. She help prepare many a person for their eternal rest and always did a top job. I was so pleased when we viewed my grandma who had failed and was concerned about how she would look and Jeannie gave a wonderful job, restoring my grandmother to the memory I had with her. She is a credit to her profession and family . Will always hold dear memory of her.*

Cheryl Hartill - January 19, 2022 at 10:38 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



January 19, 2022 at 10:17 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



January 19, 2022 at 10:14 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of your loss. Take comfort in great memories and how fortunate you were to enjoy her!*

Penny Mosley - January 18, 2022 at 10:21 PM



“ *She was such a grand lady! May you have peace with your wonderful memories.*

Kathy Hack Shanahan - January 18, 2022 at 05:25 PM



“ *Gwen, Vicki and Greg,
Saddened to hear of your Mother's passing.
She was a wonderful addition to Beecher and
I am grateful to have known her while growing
up!*

Debbie Kammermann Kotecki



Debbie Kotecki - January 18, 2022 at 05:06 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Ohlendorf.*



January 18, 2022 at 03:16 PM