

From the Monday, May 5, 1980 edition of the Kankakee Journal (w/photo)

Leah M. Kerouac, 81, RR 1, died at 11:18 a.m. Sunday at St. Mary's Hospital. She was born Aug. 26, 1898, in Papineau to Mr. and Mrs. Treffley Soucie. She was married Feb. 1, 1921, at St. Joseph's Church, Manteno, to Elmer Kerouac. Mrs. Kerouac was a member of St. Joseph's Church, Bradley, the Council of Catholic Women of the parish, and the Catholic Daughters of America, Court Boudreau of St. Joseph's Church, Manteno. Survivors include her husband; two sons, Vernon and Donald, both of Kankakee; three daughters, Sister Mary Lucilla of Urbana, Vicky Schultz of Herscher and Linda Lou Kerouac of Chicago; 19 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Stella Condon Deneen of Harvard. Two sisters, four brothers and two daughters are deceased. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Joseph's Church, Bradley. Visitation at Clancy Funeral Home will be from 2 p.m. Tuesday and before the services Wednesday. A wake service will be held at the funeral home Tuesday evening. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Manteno. A memorial in Mrs. Kerouac's name has been established for the coronary care unit of St. Mary's Hospital.