From the Thursday, November 10, 1976 edition of the Kankakee Journal:

Viateur Kerouac, 87, 145 Broadview Drive, died today at St. Mary's Hospital following an illness of several months. He had farmed for a number of years in the Manteno area and before his retirement 19 years ago and (sic) been employed for 15 years by the Kroehler Mfg. Co. A lifelong resident of this area, he was born March 31, 1889 in Bourbonnais, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kerouac. In 1914 in Manteno he was married to the former Rosella Jette, who survives. Survivors in addition to his widow include a daughter, Mrs. Doreen Moe of Kankakee; a son, Leslie Kerouac of Kankakee; brothers, Elmer of Chebanse and Roosevelt "Burton" Kerouac of Kankakee; sisters Mrs. Elizabeth DuBois of Kankakee, Mrs. Florence Bisonette of Detroit, Mrs. Lena Renwick of Manteno and Mrs. Hattie Guimond of Kankakee; three grandchildren and twogat-grandchildren (sic). Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church where Mr. Kerouac was a member. Visitation at the Hertz-Thoma Funeral Chapel will be from 3 p.m. Friday where a prayer service will be held at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Harold Devereaux and the Rev. Raymund Field will be celebrants of the mass. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery.