



## Bettie J. Head

July 20, 1936 - July 29, 2017

Bettie J. Head, age 81 of Highland, IL, died Saturday, July 29, 2017, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville, IL.

She was born on Monday, July 20, 1936, in Hamel, IL, the daughter of August and Edna (nee Rode) Wilkening.

She was a member of Immanuel United Church of Christ, Hamel, IL.

She was born and raised in rural Hamel, IL, off of Hamel Drive. She graduated from Columbia School, Hamel and then Edwardsville High School in 1954. She lived most of her life at Hamel next to the family farm where she grew up. She also lived a short time in Marine and then moved back to Hamel. The last five plus years she lived at Legacy Place, Highland. She was a nurses' aide at Hampton Nursing Home, Alhamrba, from 1974 to 1976. While working there she went to school to become a Licensed Practical Nurse. She then began working at the Madison County Nursing Home, Edwardsville, as a LPN. She worked there for 20 plus years and retired in 1997 to take care of her husband Jerry during his illness. She enjoyed sewing, needlepoint, taking care of and helping people, gardening and canning. She would often do alterations for people's clothing, made cushions and aprons. She loved her family, children and especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include:

Son - Rodney D. (Sandra) Sackett, Irrigon, OR

Son - Neil A. Sackett, New Baden, IL

Daughter - Carolyn L. (Dennis) Agles, Highland, IL

Daughter - Patricia J. (Robert) Middleton, New Douglas, IL

Step Son - Roger A. (Tina) Kampwerth, Marine, IL

Step Son - Daniel L. (Tami) Kampwerth, Highland, IL

Step Daughter - Lori Ann (Kevin) Suess - Edwardsville, IL

Grandchild - Hope J. (Eugene) Colpitts, Hermiston, OR

Grandchild - J Maston Wornell, Pendleton, OR

Grandchild - Dell-Ray (Tiffanie) Sackett, Vandenberg Air Force, CA  
Grandchild - Amanda M. (Greg) Kessler, Centralia, IL  
Grandchild - Brian L. Middleton, Hamel, IL  
Grandchild - Joseph D. (Fiancee-Molly Schutzenhofer) Middleton, Highland, IL  
Great Grandchildren - Nine  
Sister - Rose Olive, Hamel, IL  
Brother - Alvin (Janet) Wilkening, Hamel, IL  
Brother - Roger Wilkening, Hamel, IL.

She was preceded in death by:

Father - August W. Wilkening - Died 12/12/1973  
Mother - Edna L. Wilkening, nee Rode - Died 03/16/1992  
First Husband - Udell O. Sackett - Married 5/7/1957 @ Immanuel UCC, Hamel/ended in divorce; Died 01/15/2008  
Second Husband - Jerome J. "Jerry" Kampwerth - Married 4/25/1981 @ Immanuel UCC, Hamel; Died 9/10/1997  
Third Husband - Frank Head - Marriage ended in divorce  
Son - Timothy W. Sackett - Died 04/15/1978  
Step Son - Larry P. Kampwerth - Died 08/07/2015  
Brother - Donald D. Wilkening - Died 03/29/2004  
Sister - Verla J. Cartwright-Donaldson - Died 06/15/2017.

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, August 01, 2017, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Wednesday, August 02, 2017, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Hamel, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, August 02, 2017, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Hamel, IL., with Rev. Christy M. Eckert, Pastor, Immanuel United Church of Christ, Hamel, IL officiating.

Interment will be at Immanuel United Church of Christ Cemetery in Hamel, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Clinton Manor Living Center; Immanuel United Church of Christ or American Heart Assoc..

# Tribute Wall

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“ *BCT Wallula purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Bettie J. Head.*



**BCT Wallula** - August 01, 2017 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Judy Stanfield (caregiver) lit a candle in memory of Bettie J. Head*



**Judy Stanfield (caregiver)** - July 31, 2017 at 11:06 PM

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“ *No matter what was going on for her, Bettie's warm smile was quick and welcoming. She delighted in making people laugh and was generous with all she had. Thank you for being caring and leaving the world a better place.*  
*Deborah Olive*

*And I'm moved to share words from Elisabeth-Anne "Bessie" Anderson Stanley's poem*

*"She has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much ...  
Who has left the world better than she found it: Whether an improved poppy, a  
perfect poem, or a rescued soul; Who has always looked for the best in others  
and given them the best she had ... "*

**Deborah** - July 31, 2017 at 08:56 PM

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“ *June Barney-Legacy Place lit a candle in memory of Bettie J. Head*



**June Barney-Legacy Place** - July 31, 2017 at 07:52 PM

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June Barney-Legacy Place - July 31, 2017 at 07:44 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bettie J. Head.



July 31, 2017 at 11:52 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bettie J. Head.



July 31, 2017 at 10:41 AM