



## Esther Spindler

February 17, 2007 - October 30, 2007

Esther (Hebrank) Spindler, age 100, of Carmel Valley, CA., died Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at her residence in Carmel Valley, CA.

She was born February 17, 1907, in Highland, IL., the daughter of John and Mathilda (Kleiner) Hebrank.

On October 19, 1928, she married John L. Spindler, who passed away March 12, 1985.

Mrs. Spindler attended Highland schools through 12th grade, graduating in the class of 1924 (with the death of her dear friend Wilma Matter Tschudy in late 2005, she became the last surviving member of that class). Following a brief period during which she was employed as the night switchboard operator by the telephone company, she went to work at the Highland Embroidery Works in bookkeeping and payroll, working under Solomon Suppiger, the grandson of the founder of Highland, and Julius Spindler, the grandson of the founder of the Embroidery Works.

Her and her husband, John, honeymooned at New York City, arriving just in time for the crash of the stock market on October 29. They eventually settled in New York, whence Mr. Spindler marketed the "Lucy Locket" line of clothing produced by the HEW over the Eastern Seaboard. Ultimately, technical advances and high speed production doomed the manual approach to fine embroidery that the HEW employed, and the business was sold. The

Spindler's moved west.

They retired in 1967, settling in Pebble Beach, Calif. Mr. Spindler later died in 1985, and Mrs. Spindler relocated to Carmel Valley, where she lived out here years very happily.

Survivors include Son-George E. (Carol) Spindler of Fremont, Calif., Sister In-law-Margaret "Peggy" Hebrank of Highland, Ill., Granddaughter-Robin Spindler, Granddaughter-Heather Pruett of Orinda, Calif., Gr-Grandson-Damon Gould, Gr Granddaughter-Allison Gould, Sister-Mildred Segal

She was preceeded in death by Father-John Hebrank, died 5/20/86, Mother-Mathilda Hebrank, nee Kleiner, Brother-Dick Hebrank, Sister-Eunice Klaus, Husband-John L. Spindler, died 3/12/85, Brother-Reuben Hebrank, Sister-Irene Rood, Sister-Jean Buehler

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