



Helen M. Phillips

August 4, 1911 - August 5, 2008

Helen Marie (Peters) Phillips, age 97, of Highland, IL., died Tuesday, August 5, 2008, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born August 4, 1911, in Saint Jacob, IL., the daughter of Herman and Laura (Kuhner) Peters.

On April 10, 1932, she married Orville Edgar Phillips (died May 30, 1984) , who passed away May 30, 1984.

Mrs. Phillips was born at St. Jacob, IL; reared south of Highland. Following marriage, she and her husband moved to Mascoutah/ Summerfield area, where they farmed. In the mid 1950\'s, they purchased Mascoutah Dry Goods Store; in 1959 they purchased the Wimig Dept. Store in Highland, IL, and renamed it Highland Dept. Store, they retired in 1969. In retirement she worked part time at Ziegler Jewelry Store, Highland, IL. She enjoyed puzzles, music and birdwatching.

She was a member of Evangelical United Church of Christ, Highland, IL.

She was also a member of Order of Eastern Star, Chapter 756 @ Trenton, IL, (Past Worthy Matron); 1963 Orchid Club of Past Matrons and Patrons.

Survivors include Daughter-Lyla J. (Allan) Rehbein of Highland, Ill., Daughter-Doris J. (Kerry) Parr of Pacific Palisade, Calif., Sister In-law-Marion Peters of Fairview Heights, Ill., Grandchild-Deborah J. (John) Frankenbach of Mahomet, Ill., Grandchild-Robin L. (Tom) Pierce of Maryville, Ill., Grandchild-Brian J. (Pam) Rehbein of Marion, Ill., Grandchild-Kimberly (Scott) Wendelin of Pacific Palisade, Calif., Grandchild-Linda R. (Rory) Ritz of Pacific Palisade, Calif., Grandchild-Kristen (Brian) Zinni of Valencia, Calif.

She was preceded in death by Father-Herman Peters, Mother-Laura M. Peters, nee Kuhner, Husband-Orville Edgar Phillips (died May 30, 1984), Brother-Leo Peters, as infant, Brother-Eugene Peters, (died 1969), Brother-Bernell L. Peters.