



Iola E. Schwehr

January 1, 1913 - July 18, 2008

Iola E. (nee Bleisch) Schwehr, age 95, of Highland, IL., died Friday, July 18, 2008, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born January 1, 1913, in Pierron, IL., the daughter of Edwin and Dora (nee Beck) Bleisch.

On October 17, 1959, she married Ellsworth F. "John" Schwehr (died 2/17/2008).

She was a member of Evangelical United Church of Christ, Highland, IL; Women's Guild of the Church; Charter Member of the Highland Business & Professional Women, served as the treasurer for the first two years; Hitz Home Auxillary, Faith Countryside Auxillary; influential in organizing the Highland Square Dancing; BGL of St. Louis; Highland Meals On Wheels.

Born in Pierron, Illinois, Bond County. A 1930 graduate of Highland High School, Highland, IL.; attended Washington University School of Nursing. Worked 6 1/2 years (1943 to 1950) for pediatricians in St. Louis, MO; then worked 28 years (1950 to 1978) in the office of Dr. Edward L. Hediger, MD, later known as Highland Physicians Ltd., she was the manager most of her years there.

She enjoyed gardening, cooking and baking, square dancing, golf, fishing,

playing cards (played Bridge at the Weinheimer every Friday), going to the cottage with her husband and travelling.

Survivors include Step-daughter-Kay A. (Don) Reaka of Grantfork, Ill., Step Son In-law-Ed C. Teichert of Wilsonville, Ore., Nephew-Kenneth (Sandra) Duft of Pullman, Wash., Nephew-James (Sharon) Widman of Parkville, Mo., Niece-Joyce (Robert) Oravec of Highland, Ill., Niece In-law-Jane Duft of Highland, Ill., Step-Granddaughter-Tami (David) Balin of Wilsonville, Ore., Step-Grandson-Tad (Suzann) Teichert of Harrisburg, Pa., Step-Grandson-Dave (Lynne) Reaka of Collinsville, Ill., Step-Grandson-Tim (Jill) Reaka of Highland, Ill., Step-Grandson-Mark (Heidi) Reaka of Highland, Ill., Step-Grandson-Len (Kristi) Reaka of Highland, Ill., Step-Grandson-Dan (Andi) Reaka of Edwardsville, Ill., Step-Great Grandchild-Jason Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Samantha (Jeremiah) Burson, Step-Great Grandchild-Katie Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Tiffany Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Mitch Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Morgan Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Cami Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Cassi Reaka, Step-Great Grandchild-Jacob Balin, Step-Great Grandchild-Jessica Teichert, Step-Great Grandchild-Katlyn Jennings, Step Great Great Grandchild-Wyatt Burson

She was preceded in death by Father-Edwin Bleisch, Mother-Dora (nee Beck) Bleisch, Husband-Ellsworth F. "John" Schwehr (died 2/17/2008), Step-daughter-Lois R. Teichert (died 7/19/2007), Nephew-Curtis Duft (died 5/18/2001), Sister-Dorothy Duft (died 1964), Sister-Delma Widman (died 9/20/2006) and Brother-Floyd Bleisch (died 1985).