



Mary F. Powers

December 3, 1926 - March 25, 2008

Mary F. (nee Clinard) Powers, age 81, of Highland, IL., died Tuesday, March 25, 2008, at Faith Countryside Homes-Faith Care Center in Highland, IL.

She was born December 3, 1926, in Quincy, IL., the daughter of A. Ray and Ruth (Campbell) Clinard.

On September 28, 1959, she married Phillip L. "Phil" Powers , who passed away June 23, 2004.

Mrs. Powers was born and raised in Quincy, IL and relocated to East St. Louis where she met her future husband. She began her government service career at Granite City Army Depot, Illinois; worked many years for the St. Louis District of US Army Corp. of Engineers. Then she moved along with her husband to his US Air Force assignments in Germany; Japan; England; Rome, New York; Sacramento, California; Dayton, Ohio; Salina, Kansas; and Warren, Michigan. Mrs. Powers retired from government service in 1988 while stationed in Germany. The Powers family returned to Warren, Michigan for a number of years before moving to Highland in 1996. She was an avid oil painter and seamstress. She enjoyed jig saw and crossword puzzles, playing bridge, traveling and playing the piano. She was also a Cardinals Baseball fan.

Survivors include Daughter-Catherine A. (Gary) Mielke of Collinsville, Ill., Daughter-Lt. Col. Jeanne E. (S. David Bankard) Powers US Army of Severn, Md., Son-Joseph R. (Jennifer) Powers of Hazel Park, Mich., Grandchildren-Eric L. Mielke of Collinsville, Ill., Spencer O. Powers of Hazel Park, Mich., and Grace L. Powers of Hazel Park, Mich., Sister-Helen J. Goff of Highland, Ill., Brother In-law-R. J. (Judy) Powers of Cape Coral, Fla., Nephew-Michael Powers, Nephew-Philip Powers, Niece-Barbara (David) Lemmon, nee Goff, Niece-Karen (Tom) Ash, nee Goff, Niece-Mary Beth (David) Hays, nee Goff .

She was preceeded in death by Father-A. Ray Clinard, Mother-Ruth --- Clinard, nee Campbell, Husband-Phillip L. \"Phil\" Powers, Step Mother-Emma Musk Clinard and Half Brother-Roy Clinard, died Feb 1993.