



Sylvia F. Bloemker

October 20, 1914 - June 25, 2006

Sylvia Freida (nee Willmann) Bloemker, age 91, of Highland, IL., died Sunday, June 25, 2006, at Faith Countryside Homes-Faith Care Center in Highland, IL.

She was born October 20, 1914, in Greenville, IL., the daughter of Urban and Dena (Strotheide) Willmann.

On October 10, 1936, she married Emil H. Bloemker, who passed away December 25, 1975.

Mrs. Bloemker was born north of Greenville, IL on a farm. While in the 4th grade she was stricken with Polio. The results of this illness provided a handicap the remainder of her life. After completing the 8th grade, she became an employee of the Moulton-Bartley Shoe Factory in Highland and worked there for over 20 years. She attended Business School in East St. Louis, IL and worked for American Zinc for over 22 years in Sauget, IL. She then worked for the Illinois State Police in the payroll department as a Secretary for 10 years. She retired at age 69. She had taken care of her mother (who lived to be 99); enjoyed reading and talking on the telephone; attended her church regularly; and never missed the Annual American Zinc Reunion.

She was a member of Evangelical United Church of Christ and an Honorary

member of the Women's Guild of the Church.

Survivors include Brother-Glenn C. "Dick" (Evelyn) Willmann of Highland, Ill., Sister-Ruth S. Nagel of Highland, Ill., Sister-Ruby M. (Duane) Essenpreis of Highland, Ill., and numerous nieces & nephews and great nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Brother-Orin H. Willmann, Brother-Raymond G. Willmann (DOD 05/14/93)