



Wilma Welchlen

April 11, 1927 - December 24, 2012

Wilma T. Welchlen, age 85 of Marine, IL, died Monday, December 24, 2012, at her residence in Marine, IL.

She was born April 11, 1927, in Alhambra, IL, the daughter of Clemens Ulrich and Alma Magdalena (nee Ohren) Frank.

On June 28, 1947, she married James Charles Welchlen who survives.

She was a member of Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church. She was also a member of Saint Elizabeth Altar Society-Marine, IL Ladies Auxiliary to V.F.W. Post 5649-Highland, IL Retired member of International Ladies Garment Workers Union #404.

Mrs. Welchlen was born near Alhambra, IL; she grew up on the farm and attended Conn School south of Alhambra, IL. She originally did housekeeping and babysitting; then worked at the Egg Plant in Highland, Moulton-Bartley Shoe Factory in Highland, Wick Organ Plant during World War II, Alton Box Board Company and then went to work for the Marine Garment Factory. She worked at the Garment Factory until it closed and then moved to the Miss Elaine Garment Factory in O'Fallon, IL, retiring from there in 1985. She enjoyed quilting and taking care of her grandchildren.

Survivors include :

Husband - James C. "Jim" Welchlen, Marine, IL
Daughter - Catherine A. (Charlie) Stewart, Marine, IL
Son - David J. (Debbie) Welchlen, Vandalia, IL
Son - Michael (Sharon) Welchlen, Marine, IL
Daughter - Mary M. (Keith) Alldredge, Marine, IL
Brother - Elmer (Joan) Frank, Alhambra, IL
Brother - Lawrence E. (Pat) Frank, Pierron, IL
Brother - Leonard (Audrey) Frank, Alhambra, IL
Sister - Dorothy M. Landolt, Pocahontas, IL
Sister - Hattie Keller, Waterloo, IL
Sister - Agnes A. (Roland) Keller, Grantfork, IL
Grandchild - Gregory C. (Jennifer L.) Stewart, Mt. Pleasant, SC
Grandchild - James R. (Jennifer D.) Stewart, Highland, IL
Grandchild - Jason T. Welchlen, Lynchburg, TN
Grandchild - Tara M. (Trevor) Wright, Beecher City, IL
Grandchild - Ty M. (Yvette) Welchlen, Marine, IL
Grandchild - Amber R. (Jeff) Kessler, St. Charles, MO
Grandchild - Jenna L. (Justin) Lock, El Paso, TX
Grandchild - Jennifer L. (Richard) Box, Highland, IL
Grandchild - Kristen E. (Brian) Elder, Marine, IL
Grandchild - Leah M. Alldredge, Marine, IL
Great Grandchild - Ashley Stewart
Great Grandchild - Matthew Stewart
Great Grandchild - Thomas Stewart
Great Grandchild - Riley Stewart
Great Grandchild - Taylor Stewart
Great Grandchild - Emmalyn Wright
Great Grandchild - Ethyn Wright
Great Grandchild - Colton Welchlen
Great Grandchild - Paige Kessler

Great Grandchild - Isabella Kessler

Great Grandchild - Breckin Box

Great Grandchild - Brinson Box

Great Grandchild - Braxton Box

She was preceded in death by :

Father - Clemens Ulrich Frank died 3/2/1966

Mother - Alma M. Frank nee Ohren died 4/1/1979

Brother - Alvin J. Frank died 10/10/2012

Brother - Duane Frank died 12/4/2004

Sister - Marie M. Suess (died 11/26/2011)

Sister - Laverne G. Moss died 6/18/2001

Sister - Clementine E. Rinderer died 1/14/2012

Brother - Norbert Frank died 2/17/1990

Brother - Clem J. Frank 6/5/1980

Sister - Clara B. Heim died 7/3/1955