



Bernice Heins

June 30, 1935 - February 23, 2013

Bernice Heins, 77, of Gorham, Illinois, passed away at 12:05 a.m. at her residence in Gorham, Saturday, February 23, 2013.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 27, 2013, at Christ Lutheran Church with Rev. Mike Kettner officiating and burial at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro, and from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church. Memorials may be made to Christ Lutheran Grade School at Jacob or Hospice of Southern Illinois, Inc. For more information, please visit <http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com>.

Bernice was born on June 30, 1935, in Murphysboro, Illinois, to Martin Seibel and Clara (Arbeiter) Seibel.

She had worked as a bookkeeper and receptionist for twenty-four and a half years at Bost Trucking in Murphysboro, as well as being a homemaker. She enjoyed gardening and canning and baking cookies. She was a very good seamstress.

Mrs. Heins was a member of Christ Lutheran Church at Jacob and always helped at church activities.

She married Earl Edward Heins on November 6, 1954, in Murphysboro, Illinois and he preceded her in death on January 31, 2009.

Survivors include two children Karolyn Graff and her husband Dan Graff of Marion, and Phillip Earl Heins and his wife Jane Heins of Bluford, IL;

four grandchildren Tammy Graff Viggato and her husband John Viggato of Boston, Mass., Katie Heins Arnett and her husband Cory Arnett of Bluford, David Graff of Portland, OR, and Emily Heins and her fiancée Chris Oglesby of Bluford, IL;

three sisters Virginia Lewis and LaWanda Fager, both of Murphysboro, and Beverly Schrieber of Santa Anna, CA.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Bernice was a loving mother grandmother and soon to have been a great grandmother for Baby Arnett.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernice Heins*

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“ *Karolyn and Phillip...*

I was quite saddened to hear about your lovely mother... such a sweet and gracious lady. May the many wonderful memories and the love you all shared, comfort you during this time. God's blessings upon you and your families.

Robert E. Frischkorn ~ Chesterfield, MO - February 24, 2013 at 08:34 PM



“ *Bernice & I were high school friends and I lit the candles in her wedding. She was a sweetheart and Ruth, myself and Bernice would meet for lunch when our schedules would let us. Sorry I couldn't come to the funeral but its so I can't be there. I will be thinking of all of the family.*

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