



Betty Jo Wade

March 25, 1924 - December 3, 2009

Betty Jo Wade, 85 of Princeton, IL died December 3, 2009 at 5:05pm at the home of her daughter. She had been in failing health for sometime. She was born March 25, 1924 in Johnson County, KY, the daughter of Benjamin Hawkins and Lora Woodis Hawkins. She attended school in the Peoria, IL area. On August 11, 1962, she married Floyd Wade, he survives. She has been a member of the Hampshire Colony Congregational Church in Princeton, IL for most of her life. She enjoyed singing with the Sweet Adeline's singing group and also enjoyed the competitions. Betty was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers Boyd Hawkins and Paul Hawkins.

Survivors include her husband Floyd Wade of Princeton; five children, Gary Drake (Pat) of Carbondale, IL, Randy Wade (Christine) of Terre Haute, IN, Pam Morley and Dick of Brazil, Cindy Tolene (Gail) of MI, Kim Cook of Bloomington, IL; 12 grandchildren, Anjie Hall (Brent), Erin Crosby (Tod) and Neil Morley (Chrissy) all of Terre Haute, Staci Miller (Justin) of Delaware, OH, Bryce Tolene (Nell) of Chicago, IL, Ryan Tolene of Denver, CO, Toni Freesen (Boomer) of Exeter, IL, Shawn Cook (Natalie) of Bloomington, IL, Ben Drake of Carbondale, IL, and Lauren, Jessica and Rachel Wade of Terre Haute; 10 great-grandchildren, Bailee, Brenna and Carter Hall (the triplets), Taylor, Ashlyn, and Halle Crosby, Catelin and Emma Barbour-Morley, and Logan and Grant Miller; and other extended family.

Cremation was chosen with a memorial service to be held Saturday December 19, 2009 at Hampshire Colony Congregational Church with Pastor Jack Stites and Rev. Joe Culumber officiating. Interment will be at the Elm Lawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the church. Norberg Memorial Home is in charge of arrangements in Princeton.