

Edna L. Lehman-Hawbaker
(May 2, 1921 - January 29, 2008)

Edna L. Lehman Hawbaker, 86, of Berne, Indiana passed away at 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 29, 2008 at the Swiss Village Retirement Community.

Edna was born on May 2, 1921 in Adams County, Indiana the daughter of the late Enos Lehman and the late Sarah (Liechty) Lehman. She married Jerome M. Hawbaker on December 31, 1943 and he passed away in 1973.



Edna was a member of the Cross United Church of Christ; the Home Extension Club; and the Nurse's Association. Edna was a beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Edna graduated from Lutheran School of Nursing. She was a registered nurse and enjoyed a 50 year career in nursing. Edna was employed at Swiss Village, South Adams Schools, Adams Memorial Hospital & Caylor-Nickel Hospital. She worked with her husband and sons on the family farm in Wabash Township. Edna played cello and was a member of the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra. She enriched the lives of all she met, and will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Edna is survived by a daughter-in-law, Evelyn Hawbaker, daughter, Linda (Kwok-sang) Chui of Columbus, Indiana; daughter, Barbara Benya of Geneva, Indiana; son, James (Myrna) Hawbaker of Pine City, New York; daughter, Rebecca (David) Meeks of Flower Mound, Texas; son, Jon (Jody) Hawbaker of Oro Valley, Arizona; son, Lynn (Pamela) Hawbaker of Geneva, Indiana; seventeen grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Edna was preceded in death by a son, William "Bill" Hawbaker, three sisters, Leona Lehman, Lorena Wachtel, Pauline Wulliman; and two brothers, Edgar Lehman and Glenford Lehman.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 2, 2008 in the Swiss Village Chapel with the Rev. George Krestik officiating. Burial will follow in the M.R.E. Cemetery of rural Berne, Indiana.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Friday, February 1, 2008 at Swiss Village Chapel and one hour prior to the service at Swiss Village.

Preferred memorials are to Swiss Village.

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