Ludella L. McDowell, 101, of Berne, IN passed away at 1:55 p.m. on Friday, December 2, 2011 at Swiss Village in Berne. She was born on November 27, 1910 in Berne, IN to the late Benhardt and Dinah (Habegger) Lehman. She married John McDowell on March 23, 1979; he passed away on September 1, 1986.

She is survived by a son John W. (Judy) Schertz of Morton, IL; a sister-in-law Treva Lehman of Berne; 2 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by 2 brothers Eventt and Ernst Lehman and 2 sisters Florine Beer and Bernice Schertz.

Ludella was a former member of The First Mennonite Church in Berne and she also attended the Decatur Church of God. She worked as a homemaker and also did some clerical work.

Visitation will be from 2:00 - 4:00 & 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at Haggard-Sefton & Hirschy Funeral Home.

Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 8, 2011 at Haggard-Sefton & Hirschy Funeral Home. Chaplain Anita Rediger officiating and burial will take place in M.R.E. Cemetery in Berne.

Memorials may be made to First Mennonite Church, Woodcrest Nursing Center, or Family Life Care.

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