

FRANCES E. HEARE, 93, of Fort Wayne, passed away Friday, Aug. 21, 2009, at her residence. She was born on Oct. 15, 1915, in Wells County, daughter of the late August and Emma (Frauigher) Schlickman. Frances married C. Ivan Heare on Aug. 24, 1935; he preceded her in death on Oct. 17, 1999. Frances was a member of St. Luke Church and a homemaker. She was also was a member of the Women's Guild and taught Sunday School and Bible School. Frances is survived by three sons, Robert E. (Janet) Heare of Fort Wayne, Charles I. Heare of Virginia Beach, Va. and Michael D. (Patti) Heare of Mishawaka; two daughters, Mrs. James (Kaye) Lobsiger and Mrs. Michael (Emily) Ripley, both of Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; 16 step-great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Ardella Heare of Mt. Dora, Fla.; and a brother-in-law, Max Heare of Surprise, Ariz. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers; one sister; and two great-grandchildren, James Fletchall and Gracie Heare. "We would especially like to thank Georgetowne Place for their exceptional care of our mother." Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Luke Church, with calling one hour prior at the church. Rev. Mike Werten-berger officiating. Calling also from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Haggard & Sefton Funeral Home, 225 W. Adams Street, Decatur. Burial in Decatur Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Luke Church. To sign the guest book, please visit [www.haggardandsefton.com](http://www.haggardandsefton.com)

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