

Mildred M. Wente



Mildred M. Wente, of Minster, died Dec. 19, 2008 at Lima Memorial Hospital. She was 83 years old.

She was born on Sept. 16, 1925 to William and Elizabeth (Hess) Franzer of Carthagen. On May 10, 1947, she married Jerome Wente, who preceded her in death on Feb. 19, 1981.

She is survived by her children: Jane Wappelhorst of Hamilton, N.J., Judy (George) Wermert of Tautopolis, Ill., Nancy (Mike) Pleiman of McCartyville, Karen Conradi of New Bremen, Brenda (Dave) Albers of New Bremen, Allan (Rita) Wente of Minster, Vernon Wente of Minster and Denise (William) Sheipline of Wapakoneta; as well as 19 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. She also leaves behind a sister, Norma Knapke of Cranberry Prairie. She is preceded in death by son-in-law William Conradi, as well as two sisters, Mary Guggenbiller and Esther Jutte, and four brothers: Leander, Roman, Bernard and Carl Franzer.

She was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church in Minster and was a communion distributor at Heritage Manor. She was also a member of New Bremen Senior Citizens and the Quilting Group. She retired from Schmiesing Refrigeration in Minster and was an avid card player.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2008 at St. Augustine with Rev. Rick Nieberding officiating. Memorials may be donated to Heritage Manor Activity Fund. Hogenkamp Funeral Home of Minster handled the arrangements.