



Hilma A. Ruppert

February 20, 1917 - February 16, 2009

Hilma A. Ruppert, 91, of Wapakoneta, died 4:44 p.m., Sun. Feb. 16, 2009, at her residence. She was born on Feb. 20, 1917, in Rhine, Shelby Co., OH, the daughter of George A. & Philomena C. (Koenig) Steinke, who preceded her in death. On Sept. 28, 1937, she married Oscar S. Ruppert, and he died March 21, 1993. Survivors include, 6 children, Susan K. Zink, Melanie M. Sheipline, David G. (Paula) Ruppert, Kristina J. Ruppert, Theodore E. (Mary) Ruppert, Rudolph A. Ruppert, all of Wapakoneta, 24 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren, & 10 great great grandchildren, a brother, Lester Steinke, Scottsdale, AZ, 3 sisters, Jeanette Carter, Wapakoneta, Bernice Bonnorant, Sidney, OH, Mona (James) McAndrews, Fairfax, VA, a brother-in-law, Emerson Laibe, Phoenix, AZ, 4 sisters-in-law, Mary Carolyn Steinke, & Mary Ellen Steinke, both of Sidney, Katherine Steinke, Reynoldsburg, OH, Sandra Steinke, Phoenix, AZ. She was preceded in death by 2 sons-in-law, Ralph Zink & Raymond Sheipline, a daughter-in-law, Rhea Ruppert, 2 sisters, LaVera Laibe & Edna Schwietzer, 5 brothers, Myron, Dorsiness, Leo, Vernon, & Eugene Steinke. A homemaker, Mrs. Ruppert worked as a waitress and cook with Browns Restaurant, Wapakoneta. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta, and its Eucharist Adoration Ministry. She was a 1935 graduate of St. Joseph High School. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Thurs. Feb. 19, 2009, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta, Rev. William O'Donnell officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends 4-8 p.m., Wed., at the Long & Folk Chapel, 13 S. Blackhoof St., Wapakoneta. Memorials may be directed to the charity of the donor's choice.