



Marie E. Bilyj

July 10, 1923 - December 27, 2011

Marie E. Bilyj, 88, of Wapakoneta, formerly of Dover, NH, died 6:01 a.m., Tues. Dec. 27, 2011, at Otterbein Cridersville. She was born July 10, 1923, in Crawfordsville, IN, the daughter of George & Clenna (Odle) Galloway, who preceded her in death. She was married to Stephen A. Bilyj for 34 years, and he died Sept. 5, 1998. Survivors include, a sister, Virginia (Charles) Brown, Lima OH, numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces & great nephews, and her dachshund, Billy. She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Alice Stinebaugh and Cathleen Gunter, and a brother Tom Galloway. Marie retired as a registered nurse from the U.S. Army. She served in the Korean Conflict & Vietnam War. A catholic, Marie was an avid reader. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Sat. Dec. 31, 2011, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta, Rev. Matthew Lee officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Wapakoneta, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post #8445. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until time of the service, Sat. at the church. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Marie & Stephen Bilyj Nursing Scholarship Fund or Otterbein Cridersville.