



Beatrice Rineer Smith

September 17, 2011

Beatrice Elizabeth Rineer Smith passed away peacefully to the arms of her Lord at the Mennonite Home on September 17, 2011. Formerly of 441 Main Street, Landisville, she was born in Bloomsburg, PA on March 14, 1922. She was the daughter of the late Leah Feldser Rineer and Harold C. Holter. At age 7 she moved to Lancaster with her family and lived in the area of Lancaster and Landisville.

In 1937 she was confirmed into Shaarai Shomayim Hebrew Congregation and then married Amos Frederick Smith on July 19, 1941. In 1946 she was baptized and joined Covenant United Brethren Church which is now Covenant United Methodist Church in Lancaster. She was a member for 65 years teaching the senior ladies Sunday School class for 10 years.

After moving to the Mennonite Home Communities she was preceded in death by her dear husband Fred; they had been married for nearly 68 years.

Bea worked at Hamilton Watch until it was bought by Datcon and worked there until her retirement.

She is survived by two daughters; Patricia Mary Smith Ward of Chesapeake City, MD and her husband John Ward; Suzanne Ruth Smith Kresge of Lancaster and her husband Roger Kresge. There are four grandchildren:

C. Todd Ward of Elkton, MD; Melanie Burrs-Bruch and Jeff of Philadelphia, PA; Brian Kresge and Leah of Manheim, PA; and Kevin Kresge and Iris of Mountville, PA. Three great grandchildren who loved their grandma Bea also survive: Ava Nguyen, Ameila Kingsbury, and Antonio F Kresge.

A Celebration of Life Funeral Service will be held at Covenant United Methodist Church ,110 N. Mulberry Street, Lancaster, PA on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Larry D. Leister, Sr., officiating. The family will greet friends at the church from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers the family is suggesting contributions to the Dolly Kepner Music Fund, c/o Covenant United Methodist Church, 110 N. Mulberry Street, Lancaster, PA or to the Hospice of Lancaster County, 685 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603 or www.hospiceoflancaster.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beatrice Rineer Smith*

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