



Elva Marie Burshears

February 11, 1919 - October 4, 2008

Elva Marie Burshears, age 89, of Buffalo, Missouri died Saturday, October 4, 2008 at Citizens Memorial Hospital in Bolivar, Missouri.

Elva was the only child of Charles Wilford Alexander and Nellie Belle (Williams) Alexander. She was born on February 11, 1919 in Chicago, Illinois.

She graduated from Von Stuben High School and attended Gregg Business College both in Chicago. She met her future husband James Joseph Burshears at college. They married in Chicago on June 3, 1939. They lived in Downers Grove, Illinois for 30 years. However, they also resided in Omaha, Nebraska, Memphis, Tennessee, Columbus, Ohio and Athens, Illinois during their 58 year marriage.

Elva was active in the Eastern Star, United Methodist Womens, Home Extension, and was an active volunteer at the Athens Library and numerous other social clubs.

Elva was preceded in death by her husband, who died September 9, 1997, and a daughter; Nancy Jean Wagner, and one great grandchild; Zachary Sunnquist. She is survived by her four children; Patricia L. Kleinvehn of Conifer, Colorado, James Joseph Burshears, Jr. of Glenarm, Illinois, Karen L. Nelson of Urbana, Missouri and Charles A. Burshears of Ft. Worth, Texas, 12

grandchildren, 2 step grandsons, and 16 great grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 1:00pm, Saturday, October 18, 2008 at the Joel Hall Cemetery in Athens, Illinois with Reverend Gloria D. Davis officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Butler Funeral Home of Bolivar, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers a donation to the Athens Illinois Public Library is requested.

Friends may sign the guest book or send private condolences at www.butlerfuneralhome.com

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