



Mary L. Besaw Bartley

August 17, 1927 - August 17, 2016

Mary L. Besaw Bartley, 89, of Jerseyville passed into her eternal home Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2016, at the Jersey Community Hospital in Jerseyville. She was born, Aug. 17, 1927, in Drake, IL. She was the daughter of Marcus “Bo” Schutz, a decedent of the Schutz Mills family and Ina R. Hitch Schutz. She married Harold F. Besaw, Feb. 26, 1946, in Roodhouse. In 1980, she married the “love of her life”, Roderick D. Bartley in Texas. He preceded her in death, Feb. 27, 2012.

Surviving are four children; James L. (finance, Susan Sitton) Besaw of Jacksonville, David P. Besaw of Carrollton, Marsha M. (James T.) Shaw of Carrollton, and Harold Dean (Joan) Besaw of Jacksonville; one stepdaughter, Jan Bartley of Bacliff, TX; four grandchildren, James J., (Verdie) Shaw, Roger D. (Debbie) Shaw, Marquette (Nick) Clements, and Eva Tianne (Ken) Colvin; 14 great grandchildren; 6 great-great grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren, with two more scheduled to arrive in Sept.; and one brother, Wm Marcus (Wanda) Schultz of Ashland. She was preceded in death her stepmother who raised her, Dorothy Brown Schutz; an infant brother, Ruby Lee Schutz; two sisters, Georgia Bettis and Vivian Graham; and stepson, Wade Bartley.

Mary worked for the Dodge House Restaurant in Roodhouse when she was young. She was employed by Mobil Manufacturing in Jacksonville before she moved to Texas where she met Roderick. Following retirement, Mary and Rod enjoyed metal detecting on the beaches of Galveston. In 2008, they moved to

Illinois where they resided until their deaths.

Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, 2016, at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Roodhouse with interment in the Pine Tree Cemetery near Patterson. Visitation will be held Sunday from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association or the American Heart Association. Condolences may be left online at www.dawsfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary L. Besaw Bartley*

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