Hensley, Mary Elizabeth Bauer Vannatta 1920 - 2012



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Mary Elizabeth Hensley, 92, of Greensburg, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012 at Morning Breeze Nursing Home in Greensburg.

She was born on May 12, 1920 in Indianapolis, the daughter of George and Clara (Lieland) Bauer.

She was raised in Indianapolis and has been a Decatur County resident since 1950. She had graduated in 1938 from St. John's Academy in Indianapolis.

She enjoyed playing cards, bingo, board games, puzzles, reading and going to the Casino.

She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Her first marriage was to Raul Vannatta, Indianapolis, June 20, 1942 and he preceded her in death April 28, 1944. Her second marriage was to Delton Hensley in Indianapolis, July 6, 1946 and he preceded her in death on Feb. 8, 1976.

Survivors include her daughters, Barbara (Gus) Irani of San Marcos, California, Patti (Jim) Witkemper of Millhousen and Sharon (Bob) Brubaker of Avon; her sons, Jimmy (Nancy) Vannatta of Letts, Mike (Patty) Hensley of Greensburg and David (Lisa) Hensley of Corpus Christi, Texas, her 15 grandchildren and her 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her two husbands, her sister, Frances Madinger, her brothers, Joseph Bauer and Flavian Bauer, and her grandson, Patrick Joseph "P. J." Hensley.

The funeral Mass will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at Immaculate Conception Church in Millhousen with burial to follow in the Immaculate Conception Church Cemetery.

A time of visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until noon at the funeral home on Saturday with a Rosary service conducted at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made through the funeral home to the St. Mary's School Fund or to a church or a charity of donor's choice.