



Bertha Jean Shaffer

December 3, 1928 - December 7, 2011

Bertha “ Jean” Shaffer, 83, of Carthage passed away at 5:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at St. Luke’s Nursing Center in Carthage. She was born December 3, 1928 in Barton County, Mo. Jean was the daughter of Samuel Edward Smith, Sr. and Belva Blanch “Henry” Smith. She was a lifelong resident of the Carthage area. Jean graduated from Missouri Southern with a double major in English and Psychology. She received her masters in Psychology from Pittsburg State University. Jean taught English in Webb City and then was a Psychologists in Joplin. She volunteered for Crosslines. Jean was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Carthage. She was a member of the United Methodist Womens and the Ladies Quilting Group. Quilting was a very large part of her life, she was very active in the quilting group and they took several trips. Jean was united in marriage to Urban A. Shaffer on July 23, 1946 in Mexico. He survives. Other survivors include two sons, Mark L. Shaffer of Mt. Vernon and Douglas W. Shaffer of Carthage, four grandchildren, Elizabeth Ann Shaffer, Paul L. Shaffer, Katelyn Renee Shaffer and William Ryan Shaffer. Jean was preceded in death by one grandson, Jared Shaffer, two sisters, Faye Wright and Lucille Smith and one brother, Samuel Smith.

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“ *Doug and Judy, sorry to hear about your loss. Your in my thoughts and prayers this week.* ”

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