



## Clara Harter

April 14, 1921 - July 20, 2009

Clara Harter, 88, of Bluffton, died at 5:30 a.m. Monday, July 20, 2009, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

Clara was born in Wells County on April 14, 1921 to Clarence and Ola (Hollowell) Chenoweth. She married Charles L. Harter in Bluffton on Aug. 30, 1940; he preceded her in death on Aug. 27, 2007.

Clara was raised in Jay and Wells counties and graduated from Bluffton High School in 1939. She was a devoted mother and helped her husband on the family farm for 29 years. She retired in 1983 from Wells Community Hospital where she worked in the laundry department for 13 and a half years. After retirement she enjoyed volunteering at Meadowvale Health and Rehabilitation Center for over 10 years. She was a member of Epworth United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women.

Surviving relatives include four sons, Richard J. (Vicki) Harter of Cecil, Ohio, Clarence H. (Bonnie) Harter of Tulsa, Okla., Byron Keith Harter of Bluffton and Roger L. (Hulda) Harter of Montpelier; three daughters, Linda (Phillip) Gaunt of Anderson, Anna Louise (Ronald) Roach of Warren and Janine Wallace of Muncie; one sister, Edna Kern of Williamsburg, N.M.; 11 grandchildren and several step grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and several step great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

Mrs. Harter was also preceded in death by one daughter, Marilyn Harter; four sisters, Helen Bates, Dorothy Stuchul, Hazel Chenoweth and Jane Reusser; and one brother, Charles Chenoweth.

Calling hours will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from 9:30 a.m. Thursday at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home with the Rev. Dick Frederick officiating. Burial is at Elm Grove Cemetery, in Bluffton. Preferred memorials are to the Epworth United Methodist Church. The funeral home's Web site is [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **22**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-3850  
info@thomarich.com

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Clara Harter*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - July 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Clara Harter*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Dear Harter Cousins,  
Please accept my sincere condolences in the loss of your Mother. I remember visiting your home on the farm when we were growing up and later, her home in Bluffton. I always enjoyed visiting with her and hearing stories about her childhood, and later about her family. I last saw her at Aunt Helen's funeral and realized she was slipping. I'm sure she's in a better place now with your Dad, family and friends, with no cares. May God's love embrace you and heal the pain. Love, Nancy##imported-begin##Nancy Reusser Halstead##imported-end##*

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July 22, 2009 at 02:02 AM



“ Clarence

*You have all my sympathy on the loss of your Mother. I remember her being so small and quiet and always pleasant.*

*God Bless*

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July 21, 2009 at 01:31 PM