



Florence E. Graden

August 30, 1907 - January 11, 2010

Florence E. Graden, 102, of Berne, died at 9:45 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11, 2010, at Swiss Village Retirement Community. Mrs. Graden was born in Wells County on Aug. 30, 1907 to Charles C. and Lydia M. (Archbold) Crowl. She married Fred A. Graden in Wabash on Jan. 17, 1928; he preceded her in death on Oct. 28, 1983. Florence was a lifelong resident of Wells County and a member of the first graduating class from the new Ossian High School in 1926. She was very active in the First Presbyterian Church, holding various offices and serving on several boards of the church. She was one of the first women to serve as Elders in the Bluffton Presbyterian Church. She retired as a bookkeeper at Graden Service Station, and enjoyed bowling. She was on a team that went to the state finals. Surviving relatives include one daughter, Jean (Richard) Marshall of Bluffton; two grandchildren, Patrick (Laurie) Marshall of Fort Wayne and Kay (Rod) Stine of Huntington; and five great-grandchildren, Stefanie Stine, Sarah Stine, Nicole Keller, Kiersten Marshall and Tessa Marshall. Mrs. Graden was also preceded in death by one infant brother, Harry Crowl. Funeral services will be at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney and Lemler Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Madsen officiating. Burial is at Elm Grove Cemetery, in Bluffton. Preferred memorials are to the First Presbyterian Church. Online condolences may be made at ww.thomarich.com

Tribute Wall



“ Florence E. Graden

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ I have so many great memories of Florence when she and my mom bowled together. I know you will miss her greatly.##imported-begin##Sandy (Lucabaugh) Dunsmore##imported-end##

January 15, 2010 at 11:24 PM



“ Dear Friends,
Thinking of you at this time of Florence's passing. We marvel at the changes that she experienced in her lifetime of 102+ years! Thank you for entrusting her to our care.

Anita Rediger, Chaplain
On behalf of the Swiss Village staff##imported-begin##Anita Rediger##imported-end##

January 15, 2010 at 02:08 PM



“ To the entire family of Florence,

I was sorry to hear of your loss. Throughout the years, Florence and my mother spent many wonderful times together. They are together again.

Sincerely
John##imported-begin##John Geels##imported-end##

January 14, 2010 at 06:48 AM



“ *Jean and Dick and the rest of the family, I feel so honored to have been able to care for your mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was one of my favorite resident and despite her decline in the past years, I truly enjoyed caring for her. I will miss her a great deal. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.*
Sincerely, Phyllis##imported-begin##*Phyllis Brotherton*##imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 06:57 PM