Dorothy Elizabeth (Witmer) Bowman



Dorothy Elizabeth Bowman, currently residing at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, Pa., died on October 8, 2013 at the age of 90. She was the wife of the late Albert F. Bowman who died on June 15, 2013 at the age of 92. They were married for 68 years.

Dorothy worked for Franklin & Marshall College in the bookstore for 18 years, retiring in 1989. She was a graduate of J.P. McCaskey High School class of 1941.

Dorothy was a former member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Lancaster, Pa. for over 50 years. While there she served as vice president of the Tuesday afternoon fellowship group and was also a member of the Lutheran Church Women, chairman of the Memorial Fund and served on the altar guild.

She is a breast cancer survivor and belonged to the Breast Cancer Support Group. One of her hobbies was crocheting afghans for them to be auctioned off at various fund raisers. She participated in the Relay for Life in Millersville, Pa.

At the time of her death she was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Millersville, Pa. During her active years, she served on the altar guild and also did some volunteer work at the church.

Dorothy's hobbies included crocheting afghans for her children and grandchildren and making many photo albums of family photos throughout the years. She also enjoyed playing cards with family and friends.

She is survived by three children. Her daughter Linda Jeanne wife of Stanley Klaniecki of Milton Florida, her oldest son Thomas Albert Bowman of York, Pa. and her youngest son Richard Wayne Bowman of Coal Township, Pa. She is also survived by eight grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. She was the daughter of the late Ervin J. Witmer and Anna Fern Book Witmer of Strasburg, Pa.

Dorothy was preceded in death by three brothers, Harold B., Richard B., and Robert B. Witmer and one sister Kathryn I. Burkhardt.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 16, at 11:00 a.m. in St. Paul Lutheran Church, 222 N. George St., Millersville, PA, with The Reverend Constance Mentzer officiating. Interment will take place immediately following the service in the Millersville Mennonite Cemetery.