

Lucy J. Miley

Lucy J. Miley, 82, of Lancaster, went home to be with her Lord on Friday, September 12, 2008 following a long life filled with love and service.

She was born on October 31, 1925, in Voganville, PA, the only daughter of the late Barton W. and Emma (Haller) Myers. She graduated from Ephrata High School in 1942 and on April 23, 1944, married Galen W. Miley, who survives. She accompanied Galen to Lawton, OK during WW II, where he was stationed at Fort Sill. While in Lawton, Lucy worked as a secretary and

developed lasting friendships.

In 1946, Galen and Lucy returned to Ephrata, PA, and began a family. In 1969, Lucy and Galen moved to Lewistown, PA where Lucy was active in the Burnham Church of the Brethren. In 2001, Lucy and Galen returned home to Lancaster County to reside at the Brethren Village. Lucy was a member of the Lancaster Church of the Brethren. She was a volunteer at the Brethren Village and enjoyed working in the Village store.

Lucy volunteered throughout her life in church and community groups. She worked as a secretary and bank teller, but her true vocation was as a wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker. She was an excellent cook and baker. Her home was always a warm and inviting place. She enjoyed sewing and needlework and made many special gifts that are cherished by those who received them. She was quick to laugh and had a wonderful sense of humor. She served others all her life in large and small ways. Her encouragement and love shone through in all she did. She loved her husband, children, and grandchildren with all her heart and continously showed her love and devotion.

In addition to Galen, her husband of 64 years, Lucy is survived by her son, Dr. Gerald B. Miley, of Boston, MA, daughter, Madelynn G. Riedel of Lancaster, and daughter, Gail A. Miller and her husband Dan, of State College. She was extremely proud of her eight grandchildren, Marissa Miley and Danielle Miley of New York, NY, Matthew Riedel, of Phoenixville, Kimberly Riedel and Kathy Riedel of Lancaster, Karen Riedel of Pittsburgh, Steven Miller of Iowa City, IA, and Kathryn Miller of State College.

We would like to thank all of our friends and the staff of Hospice of Lancaster County and Brethren Village for their help and support. Lucy will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." Proverbs 31:28-29.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial service celebrating Lucy's life on Saturday, September 20, 2008, at 2 P.M. at the Brethren Village Chapel, 3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster with Rev. Jeffrey B. Rill and Chaplains Mark Tedford and Dana Statler officiating. Private interment at the convenience of the family. The family will receive friends immediately following the memorial services at the chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials in Lucy's memory be made to the Brethren Village Good Samaritan Fund, 3001 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, Pa 17606.

Arrangements by Stradling Funeral Homes, Akron/Ephrata. For additional information or to send a condolence to the family, visit www.stradlingfuneralhome.com