

Venida Shaw

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Venida G. Shaw passed away at 9:35 p.m. Wednesday, November 17, 2010. Born April 3, 1924 in De Soto, MO, she was the daughter of Bertram and Nellie (Christy) Steffen. She married Ralph E. Spurgeon in Alton on March 31, 1946 and he passed away Jan. 22, 1966. She married Donald Shaw Feb. 17, 1968 and he passed away Aug. 9, 2000. She was retired from the Roxana School District as a cafeteria worker and a member of the Wood River Women of the Moose.

She is survived by two sons and daughters in law, Terry and Debbie Spurgeon of Moro and Mark and Debbie Spurgeon of Bethalto; four daughters and a son in law, Donna and Mark Hammer of Godfrey, Julia Shaw of Godfrey, Linda Hellemeyer of East Alton and Joan Harris of Alton; nine grandchildren, 12 great grand children; three brothers and two sisters in law, Warren and Connie Steffen of East Alton, Walter and Bonna Steffen of Wood River and Edward Steffen of Grand Junction Colorado; two sisters and a brother in law, Virginia and Bob Dake of Wood River and Roberta Graham of East Alton.

In addition to her two husbands and her parents ,she was preceded in death by two granddaughters, three brothers, Gerold Steffen, Howard Raymond Steffen, Eugene "Lefty" Steffen killed in WW2; one sister, Bernice Fraser.

Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Monday, November 22, at Paynic Home for Funerals, Rosewood Heights.

Funeral services will be at the funeral home on Tuesday, November 23, at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Frank Sparks officiating.

Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto.

Memorial may be made to Make a Wish Foundation or Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.