



Edith Gilleland

O'Fallon, MO | Wednesday, November 23 2011

Edith M. Gilleland, age 99, formerly of Alton died at 2:50 pm on Wednesday, November 23, 2011 at Gardenvue Care Center in O'Fallon. She was born on February 5, 1912 in Johnston City, IL the daughter of the late Walter and Hannah (Watson) Swift. She was a long time member of the Community Christian Church in Alton. On October 20, 1934 in Alton she married Leonard Gilleland and he preceded her in death on September 6, 2005. Edith is survived by a daughter; Nancy Mareing and her husband Bob of Lake St. Louis, Mo., a daughter-in-law; Sandra Gilleland of Keithsville, La., a former daughter-in-law; Diane Gilleland of Birmingham, AL., three grandchildren; Matt Gilleland and his wife Gwen of Birmingham, AL., Meg Thompson and her husband Wade of Foley, AL., Michael J. Mareing of Lake St. Louis, MO., four great grandchildren; Devin, Alex and Annie Gilleland and Swift Thompson and three nephews and their wives; Richard Swift (Kathy) of Alton, Ray Swift (Martha) of West Frankfort and Mark Swift (Brenda) of Macedonia, IL. She was preceded in death by her son; Gary W. Gilleland, one brother; Clarence Swift and two sisters; Florence Jobe and Gladys Gornet. Visitation will be from noon Monday until funeral service at 12:45 pm at Gent Funeral Home in Alton with Rev. David Burger officiating. Burial will be at Upper Alton Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Community Christian Church of Alton. Online guestbook and additional information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com