



# Maxine Bechtold

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Maxine Audrey Bechtold, 88, died at 11:55 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at Alton Memorial Hospital. Born February 23, 1924 in St. Louis, MO, she was the daughter of Richard and Susetta (Harrington) Burk. She was a member of the Godfrey First United Methodist Church and the Eastern Star Bethalto Chapter 847. Maxine always had a positive outlook on life. She always had a smile for everyone she met. On November 2, 1946 in Alton, she married Francis M. Bechtold. He preceded her in death on October 12, 2006. Surviving is a daughter, Martha “Marty” McKay (Noel) of Godfrey, two sons, Larry F. Bechtold of Alton, and Gary R. Bechtold of Godfrey, five grandchildren and their spouses, Brad and Lisa Bechtold, Bryan and Stephanie Bechtold, Jamie and Andy Toolen, Marla and Keith Bryan, and Sean Bechtold, eight great grandchildren, Alec Losch, Blake, Piercyn, Reese, and Brody Bechtold, Mia, Brynna, and Keegan Toolen. She was preceded in death by her husband and a brother, Richard Burk. Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Friday, March 9, 2012 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton where funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 10, 2012. Burial will be at Beltrees Cemetery. Reverend Don E. Long Jr. will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Godfrey First United Methodist Church. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

