



# Lauretta Devening

**Fieldon | Monday, November 24 2014**

Lauretta T. Devening, 91, died peacefully at 6:25 a.m., Monday, November 24, 2014 at Jerseyville Manor Nursing Home after a period of declining health.

She was born just northwest of Fieldon on Nov. 2, 1923, one of four children born to the late Anthony & Wilhemena "Minnie" (Antrae) Pegue. Lauretta attended Jersey Township High School, and spent her professional career serving the students of Jersey County as a cook at both Fieldon Elementary and Illini Junior High School, however, her most treasured position in life was that of a servant of the Lord, and the most loving wife, mother and grandmother a family could possibly wish for. She dedicated herself to those she loved the most, and she will be missed dearly. She married Truman Devening on Sept. 18, 1940 in Elsberry, Mo., and they resided and raised their family of eight children on their farm near Fieldon. They enjoyed 58 years together before his death on Jan. 1, 1999. Surviving are her eight children & their spouses, Sherman & Betty Devening of Jerseyville, Dayle & Mary Lou Devening of Fieldon, Sharon & Clayton Wadlow of Jerseyville, Marilyn & Paul Rogers of Jerseyville, Brenda & Jeff Waters of Jerseyville, Linda & Les Eads of Jerseyville, Janice Devening, and her partner, Linda Powers of Godfrey, and Gayle & Mark McGill of Chesterfield; 16 Grandchildren; 30 Great Grandchildren; and seven great great grandchildren; along with numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Florence Kilcrane and Irene Krueger; and a brother, Francis J. Pegue. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m., Friday at the Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville. Visitation will continue from 10 a.m., Saturday until time of funeral services at 11 a.m., at the Fieldon United Church of Christ with Rev. Noel Gehm officiating. Burial will be in the Fieldon Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Fieldon United Church of Christ, where she was a longtime and faithful member.