

Barbara Jean Long

Dec. 30, 1922 - 30 April 2006

Barbara Jean Long, 83, Columbia City, formerly of Kokomo, died at 8:55 a.m. Sunday April 30, 2006.

Born Dec. 30, 1922 in Silver Lake, she was a daughter of John W. and Edith (Lore) Ferverda. On Sept. 22, 1972 she married Ralph Dean Long in Judson Baptist Church and he died September 1994.

She was a 1940 graduate of Silver Lake High School. She first was a professional tap and ballet dancer, then worked as a bookkeeper for Kokomo Land Company. She also was an Avon representative from 1980 until 2005.

Mrs. Long was a member of Judson Baptist Church in Kokomo, where she sang in the choir and played in the handbell choir. She was a member of the Ivy Chapter 69, Order of Eastern Star of North Manchester and attended the Kokomo Senior Center. Her hobbies included crocheting, and working puzzles.

Survivors include one son, John and wife Karen Bucher, Columbia City; daughter, Roberta Estes and Jim Kvochick; sister-in-law, Ruby Ferverda of Landrum, S.C.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and a brother.

Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday in Judson Baptist Church, 1995 North, 750 West, Kokomo, with Pastor Gary Britton officiating. Calling hours are 4 to 7 p.m. today in Ellers Mortuary, 725 S, Main St. and one hour prior to the service Wednesday in the church. Burial will be in Galveston Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Judson Baptist Church.

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