



Catherine A. Hillegas

July 25, 1922 - October 5, 2010

Catherine A. Hillegas, age 88, of Huntington, died at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday (October 5, 2010) at her home.

Catherine was born on July 25, 1922, the daughter of John and Effie (Davis) Eckert in Huntington. She graduated from Huntington Township High School in 1940. On October 17, 1941, Catherine married Ernest D. (Hig) Hillegas at the Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Huntington and he survives.

Catherine was a homemaker, loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She also worked for Seal-Test in Huntington for many years. Catherine was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Huntington.

Survivors include her husband of 68 years – Ernest D. Hillegas of Huntington; two daughters – Diana (Gary Dixon) Yarger of Clearwater, Florida, Barbara (Gary) Wechsler of Columbia City, Indiana; one sister – Josephine Harrell of Huntington; five grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, brother – Marcellus Eckert, sister – Helen Ludwig, and great grandson – Weston Close.

Visitation will be 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Friday (October 8, 2010) at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 903 N. Jefferson St., Huntington. A Mass of Christian Burial will then be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday (October 8, 2010) also at St. Mary's

Catholic Church with Father John Pfister officiating. Entombment will be in the Gardens of Memory, Huntington County.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Weston Close Scholarship Fund, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

Cemetery Details

Gardens of Memory

11201 S. Marion Road 35
Marion, IN 46952

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
903 N. Jefferson St.
Huntington, IN 46750

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Grandma Hillegas,*

Thank you for accepting me into your family and treating me as one of your own. I loved all of the times we came over to visit you with lunch, and the family gatherings I was able to attend at your place. I am glad I got to see you at church, when we both went at the same times, and how I could always say hello to you and you always had something nice to say. I loved coming over to see you because it reminded me of my own grandparents who live far away and I don't get to see that often, and I missed going to see you this past year. I remember I used a picture of me that was taken at your house for my graduation invitations. You hold a special place in my heart even though I didn't know you for that long.

I wish I could have gone to your service today but my organic chemistry lab doesn't allow any absences. I will come see your burial site tonight when I get home though. Thank you for all you have done for me.

Rachel Clor - October 08, 2010 at 09:02 AM

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“ To my dear sweet, loving cousin Higgie and daughters, Diane, Barb, son-in law Gary, grandchildren and great grandchildren:

Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your wife, mother, and grandma. I'm so sorry I'm not able to be with you all. The family is either out of town, working, or in school. Please forgive me.

The Marion cousins feel like we know the entire family as Cattie spoke so lovingly of all of you. May your memories of her fill your hearts today and always. Our prayers are with you. Oh how I appreciated the the love your dear one gave to me from the time I was a little girl.

Cousin Kay Ann Hillegas Gardner Bartrom and family.

Cousin Ann Hillegas Gardner Bartrom and family - October 07, 2010 at 06:51 PM