



Bertha T. Hathaway

October 7, 2009

Surrounded by her family, Bertha T. Hathaway, 90, went home to be with Lord on October 7, 2009. Born in Wilmington, Del., Mrs. Hathaway was the daughter of John & Lillie Toy. Mrs. Hathaway was the owner of the "Incompleat Unlimited" which was a shoe store located in both Elmer and Woodstown. She made a promise to Rev. Dave Bailey when he opened Ranch Hope that as long as she had the store the boys would always have a pair of shoes. She kept that promise until she closed the store and retired in the seventies. Throughout the years, she was a very active and devoted member to the Elmer United Methodist Church. For many years, she and a group of women from the church cooked the Tuesday night dinner for the Elmer Rotary Club. Mrs. Hathaway was a fantastic seamstress, it was said she could make anything from nothing. She loved dancing, going to Atlantic City, playing scrabble and was a member of the Red Hat Society. Although there were many things that her children fondly remembered, the one thing they talked about was their mother's love for the spoken word and how she would pick words out of the dictionary and have the kids learn them.

She is survived by her children, Barbara Hathaway-Rieti and her husband Gene of Elmer, Edgar Jr. and his wife Joan of Elmer, Blair and his wife Lila of Elmer, Blake and his wife Patricia of Elmer and Chay Van Le of Woodstown; grandchildren, Jacob Farbman, Jacklynn Manning, Joshua Hathaway, Richard Montana, Evan Hathaway, Nicole Ludwig, Melissa Dechen, John and James

Hathaway; great grandchildren, Danielle Montana, Anthony Montana, Angelina Montana and Deklan Ludwig. She was predeceased by her husband Edgar Sr, and two sisters, Vivian Ale and Venita Weisner.

Services will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2009 at the Adams Funeral Home, 111 S. Main St., Elmer, NJ 08318. The viewing will begin at 10am with the service following at 11am. Interment will take place at Chestnut Grove in Elmer. The family has suggested that donations be made to Ranch Hope, P.O. Box 325, Alloway, NJ 08001 in Mrs. Hathaway's memory. www.adamsfuner.or

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