



Jeanette 'Hap' (nee: Friesema) Vanderleest

March 20, 1928 - August 2, 2010

RACINE - Jeanette 'Hap' (nee: Friesema) Vanderleest, 82, was called to her heavenly home on Monday, August 2, 2010. She was a lifelong resident of Racine, born on March 20, 1928, the daughter of Garrett and Ada (nee: Dykstra) Friesema. She was a graduate of William Horlick High School. Jeanette was united in marriage to George A. Vanderleest on September 9, 1950 at Racine Christian Reformed Church.

She was a lifelong and active member of Racine Christian Reformed Church. Her faithful activities included Racine Christian School, Sunday School teacher, Calvinette Counselor, and Coffee Break staff member. Jeanette had been employed with Hamilton Beach and later worked as a cook/lunch lady at Park High School. She enjoyed spending time with her nieces and nephews and loved to bake. She will especially be remembered for her famous fudge.

Surviving are three generations of wonderful nieces and nephews; sisters-in-law, Elsie Friesema and Beryl Vanderleest. She is further survived by other relatives and many dear friends.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her husband, George on November 13, 2009; brothers and sisters, John G. Friesema, Robert (Pat) Friesema, Clara (Hank) Kramer and Grace (Jim) Navis; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Marge Vanderleest, Sally (Rich) DeVries, Anne (Christ) Klaus, Bernard (Betty) Vanderleest, Henry Vanderleest and Philip (Dorothy) Vanderleest.

Funeral services will be held at Racine Christian Reformed Church, 900 Illinois Street, on Thursday, August 5, 2010, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Douglas Aldrink officiating. Burial will follow at West Lawn Memorial Park. There will be a visitation at the funeral home on Wednesday evening from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. and at the church on Thursday before services from 10 am until time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Racine Christian School Endowment Fund, Crossroad Bible Institute, P.O. Box 900, Grand Rapids, MI 49509 or Bible League International, P.O. Box 28000, Chicago, IL 60628 have been suggested.

A special thank you to the entire staff at Walnut Grove and Odyssey Hospice.