



Ruth I. (Reece) Harris

February 16, 1916 - September 18, 2013

Ruth Reece Harris, 97, of Hagerstown, passed away peacefully Wednesday, September 18, 2013 after an extended illness.

She was born February 16, 1916 in Saint Augusta, Iowa, a daughter of the late Vance and Lenora (Shock) Reece.

At the age of 13 her family moved to the Mooreland and Hagerstown areas. As a young girl, she worked in several uptown stores in New Castle and then moved to Michigan where she resided for 40 years. In 1980 she moved back to Hagerstown where she and her five sisters built their homes on the same block, where at one time the old Hagerstown High School was located and called it the "Reece Block". They had a wonderful few years together and enjoyed reminiscing about their good old times. Ruth was a member of the Chicago Corner Church for several years.

She is survived by two sisters, Betty (husband: Hubert) Hinshaw and Evelyn Bullis and several nieces and nephews. Ruth married late in life and is also survived by four step-children and several step-grandchildren.

Ruth was so blessed to have had great and compassionate caregivers throughout her illness and her family is so thankful for them all.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Harris; her sisters, Gladys Wissler, Mary Williams, Lorene Eilar, Margaret Baker, Imogene Neal Keesling and Rose Marie Walden; her brothers, Henry "Hank" Reece and Jack Reece, who was killed in WWII.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 3, 2013 at

Chicago Corner Church with Minister Rod Beheler officiating. Burial will follow in Brick Cemetery.

Friends may call one hour prior to the service at Chicago Corner Church, 8405 E. Old State Road 38, near Hagerstown.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Sproles Family Funeral Home.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

Sproles Family Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Ruth Harris.