



Arlene I. Estes

April 5, 1932 - July 24, 2010

Mrs. Arlene Isabella (Coody) Estes, 78, of 194 Central St., Gardner, formerly of 43 Mohawk Forrest, North Adams, died early Saturday morning, July 24, 2010, at the Wachusett Manor Nursing Home, Gardner.

She was born in Clarksburg on April 5, 1932, a daughter of the late Lucius and Catherine (Stuart) Coody. She attended schools in North Adams including Drury High School.

Mrs. Estes last worked as a Lab Technician for the former Sprague Electric Co., in North Adams and Worcester. She had also worked for the former Warren Wire Co. in Williamstown and Pownal, VT.

She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church of North Adams, where she also served on its social committee. She was a life member of the Burnett-Bednarz Post 996 Veterans of Foreign Wars, North Adams, a member of the Sprague Electric Club and the Promaneighbors Square Dancing Club, Williamstown. She enjoyed square dancing, music, bowling and especially taking care of her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Walter R. Estes, whom she married on May 31, 1952;

2 Sons - Richard Estes and his wife Janice of Newton, NH and Wayne Estes and his wife Karen of Baldwinville, MA;

1 Daughter - Marlene Daly and her husband William of Duxbury, MA;

2 Brothers - George Coody of Williamstown and Lucius Coody and his wife Barbara of North Adams;

7 Grandchildren, 2 Great Grandsons and 1 Great Granddaughter and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by a son Keith Estes who died on March 29, 1999, by a brother, Stuart Coody, and by 3 sisters, Catherine Coody, Clarice Dustin and Mary LaFlamme.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 31, at 1:00PM in the First Baptist Church, North Adams.

Burial will be at a later date at the convenience of the family.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the Lymphoma Foundation through the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams, which is in charge of arrangements.