



Elizabeth Rivers

April 29, 2014

Mrs. Elizabeth Catherine (Gebauer) Rivers, 91, of 75 Commercial St., Adams, died early Tuesday morning, April 29, 2014 at North Adams Commons.

She was born in Adams on August 22, 1922, daughter of the late Henry and Maude (Coons) Gebauer. She attended schools in Adams and graduated from the former Adams High School with the class of 1960.

Mrs. Rivers worked for many years at the former Waverly Fabrics in Adams, until retiring. She then worked for the Massachusetts Division of Employment and Training for several years.

She was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, North Adams. She was a member of the Adams and North Adams Historical Societies as well as the Hairpin Turners Square Dancers and the Berkshire Chorale.

Her husband, Roger W. Rivers, whom she married on November 8, 1947, died on October 11, 2011.

She is survived by,

2 Daughters – Susan Rusek and her husband George of Adams and Donna Balardini and her husband David of Pittsfield,

4 Grandchildren – Chad Rusek of Portland, OR, Brett Rusek of Easley, SC, Lori Deane and her husband Andrew of Boston and Darren Balardini and his wife Stacey of Holliston, MA and by 4 Great Grandchildren – Max and Sarah Deane and Ryan and Alyssa Balardini.

She was predeceased by 2 brothers, William and Howard Gebauer.

The funeral will be on Monday, May 5, at 1:00PM in the PACIOREK

FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams.

Burial will follow in Southview Cemetery, North Adams.

Calling hours are Monday from 12:00 Noon until the time of the service in the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1436 Massachusetts Ave., North Adams, MA 01247.