

Joan Martens, 80

Dec. 11, 1931 - Sept. 20, 2012

PORTSMOUTH — Joan Marilyn Martens, age 80 of Portsmouth, passed away September 20, 2012 at her home. She was born December 11, 1931 in Persia to Frederick Hans Edward and Edith Louise (Bauer) Stamp. She graduated from Persia High School in 1949.

January 22, 1950, Joan was united in marriage to Stanley Martens. After that, she and Stanley moved to the farm near Portsmouth which is still their present day home. Joan was a member of The First Baptist Church.

Joan was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Fred and Jim Stamp. She will be sadly missed by her loving husband of 62 years, Stanley, her four children; Terry (Debbie) Martens of Ames, Steve (Brenda) Martens of Denison, Deb (Kent) Morgan of Harlan, and Lynn (Diane) Martens of Portsmouth; her sixteen grandchildren; Meredith Martens, Alyssa (Caleb) Call, Clayton Martens, Bryce (Tess) Martens, Evan Martens, Lance Martens, Preston Martens, Justin (Renee) Rouhoff, Aaron (Lindsay) Martens, Nathan Martens, Jason Morgan, Amber (Matt) Schmitz, Holly (Tyler) Buckingham, Mike (Jeni) Martens, Zack Martens, and Ross Martens; eight great-grandchildren; one brother John (Betty) Stamp of Persia.

Visitation was Monday, September 24, 2012, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at The First Baptist Church in Harlan. Memorial services were Tuesday, September 25, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. also at The First Baptist Church in Harlan. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the family for future charitable donations.



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