



Helena "Lee" Emilie Schafer

March 16, 1923 - May 7, 2019

Helena "Lee" Emilie Schafer, 96, of Havana, passed away at her home at 5:54 a.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2019. She was born March 16, 1923, in Hawkeye, Iowa, to Gustave and Ella (Ungerer) Begalske. She married Raymond Schafer on August 24, 1945. He preceded her in death on April 8, 2013.

Mrs. Schafer is survived by two grandsons: Ronald (Clarissa) Campbell of Havana and Timothy (Tammy) Campbell, of Farmington, Arkansas; two grandchildren; sister, Barb (Larry) Daniels of West Union, Iowa and brother, Gene Begalske of Wisconsin. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one daughter, Judy Campbell and two brothers, Paul and Walter "Gus" Begalske.

Mrs. Schafer attended church at the Havana Church of Christ with her family. She graduated from Alpha High School and later Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. She served in the US Navy in Washington D.C. She taught P.E. at Fairfield (Parsans College) then History in Granite City, IA High School. She was a member of the Havana Women's Club, PEO and was an avid Bridge player. She also volunteered at the Havana Food Pantry.

Visitation will be held at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana on Friday, May 10, 2019 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2019, also at the funeral home. Rev. Bill Boyce will officiate.

Burial will follow the services at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Church of Christ. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

MAY 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Helena "Lee" Emilie Schafer*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Fallon Bucher lit a candle in memory of Helena "Lee" Emilie Schafer*



Fallon Bucher - June 12, 2019 at 10:35 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss...Grandma Lee will be missed...I loved her so much...He smile and her laugh...*

Angel - May 08, 2019 at 10:29 PM



“ *Dave and I loved Lee. But I'm sure everyone who met her loved her! She was a very special person. We send our condolences to all of her family.*

Rita Badger - May 08, 2019 at 07:17 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Helena "Lee" Emilie Schafer.*



May 07, 2019 at 10:29 PM



“ *Sorry for your family's loss of a beautiful soul. Glad I had the opportunity to get to know her and learn from her! She was a wonderful lady with a great heart & soul, may she rest peacefully in God's heavenly hands....with love & respect Lisa & Roger*



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - May 07, 2019 at 08:55 PM