



Wanda Colleen Curless

November 22, 1927 - May 18, 2012

Wanda Colleen Curless, beloved wife and mother, 84, of Havana, IL, died May 18, 2012 at 6:44 a.m. a Mason District Hospital in Havana. Colleen was born November 22, 1927 in Havana to Casper and Bertha (Hammack) Watkins.

She is survived by her husband, Harry Curless, daughter, Debra (Neil) Sharpe, daughter, Ellen Gex, grandsons, Nicholas and Alexander Gex.

Colleen was a graduate of St. Francis School of Nursing and Bradley University. She had a distinguished career in nursing and was in the first group of Physician Assistants Licensed Nurse Practitioners in Illinois. She organized the Mason County Nurses Association and organized a successful petition drive to establish a Mason County Health Department. Colleen was also certified as a Community Health Nurse by the American Nurses Association. Colleen served her friends and neighbors as an Alderman for Havana and subsequently served as Mayor. She was an active volunteer and member of numerous organizations. Colleen spent untold hours serving her church, Central Christian. She served as Choir Director, Board Chairman, Trustee, Elder and Sunday School Teacher. Colleen will be missed by all

those whose lives she touched in so many ways, through her love for her family, her community, and her church.

Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at Central Christian Church with visitation one hour prior to the services. Rev. Emily Williams and Wayne Curless will officiate. Burial will follow the services at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

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

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wanda Colleen Curless*

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