



Elmina E. Christner, 92, died Sunday afternoon, April 5, 2015 at The Maples at Waterford Crossing in Goshen, Indiana.

She was born November 24, 1922 in Ontario, Canada to Aaron and Delila (Ruby) Bender.

On May 15, 1948 she married Louis Christner in East Zorah Township, Ontario. He died in October 1989.

Surviving are three sons, John (Dorothy) Christner, Goshen, Indiana, James Christner, Sebewaing, and Richard Christner, Goshen, Indiana; grandchildren, Keri and Scott; sisters, Edith Bender, New Hamburg, Ontario, Helene Eicher, Milverton, Ontario, and Hilda (Harvey) Roth, Stratford, Ontario; and brothers, Delmer Bender, New Hamburg, Ontario and Merlon Bender, Ailsa Craig, Ontario.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a sister, Edna Boshart; and brothers, Willis and Elmon Bender.

Mrs. Christner lived in Pigeon most of her life, where she worked as a dietitian at Scheurer Hospital. After moving to the Goshen area in the early 1990's, she attended Pleasant View Mennonite Church. She was an active volunteer at The Depot and Greencroft. An excellent cook and hostess, Elmina was also a quiltmaker and donated many quilts to Mennonite Relief Sales and Youth for Christ events.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at Pigeon River Mennonite Church, with Rev. Wayne Keim officiating. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Visitation will be Thursday, April 9, 2015 from 12 to 2 p.m. at Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Pigeon River Mennonite Church or Pleasant View Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana.