



## Henrietta (Henri) J. Finke

April 3, 1921 - November 21, 2011

Henrietta (Henri) J. Finke, 90, died Monday, November 21, 2011. Henri was born April 3, 1921 to Anna and Arius J. Meyer of Bristow, IA. She was a graduate of Bristow High School, and attended Central College in Pella, IA, earning her teaching certificate. Henri taught school three years, then married Lawrence H. Finke on June 18, 1945. For the next forty years, Lawrence and Henri farmed near Bristow, retiring "to town" in Allison in 1985. Henri was a devoted member of her "singing church", St. John's EV Lutheran Church - Vilmar, where she taught adult and children's Sunday school and sang in the choir. Henri filled her days doing all the things she loved: family events, gardening, raising chickens, quilting, cross-stitch, playing the piano, travel, collecting music boxes, church history, Bristow High School alumni events and town history, and wrote a book about her farm/family life. Henri was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence, and infant son Robert, and infant granddaughter. She is survived by two sons: Les (Diann) of Naperville, IL and Doug (Diane) of Carlton, MN; four grandchildren: Andy (Kris) Finke of Sheridan, IL, April (Jon) Miller of Naperville, IL., Jesse Finke of Foxboro, MA, and Anna Finke of New York City, NY; and sister Meta Wiegmann of Dumont, IA. The family prefers memorials to St. John's EV Lutheran Church - Vilmar. Burial will be in the Church Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Henrietta (Henri) J. Finke*

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**Donald and Mildred Meyer** - November 24, 2011 at 07:45 PM