



Margaret Belle Welsh

October 20, 1916 - April 17, 2009

Margaret Belle Welsh, 92, of Houston, PA, died Friday, April 17, 2009 in the Donnell House, Washington. A daughter of the late James and Anna Shanks Daugherty, she was born in Gillespie on October 20, 1916. Margaret had resided in Houston for the past six years and was formerly of Florida, Texas and Belle Vernon. Protestant by faith, she had been employed by Corning Glass of Charleroi, retiring in 1978. Survivors include two daughters, Lona Ann Lee of Houston and Jacqueline Welsh of Canonsburg, four grandchildren, Kelly Lee Lynn, and her husband Michael of Port Matilda, John David Gear, and his wife Sonnie of Pollock Pines, CA, Brian Gear, and his wife Monica of Ventura, CA and William Scott Gear, and his wife Kim of Deluth, MN and five great grandchildren, Megan Lynn, Taylor Gear, Corey Gear and Caitlin and Adam Gear. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Welsh, in 1982, one grandson, Earl Vincent Gear III, two sisters, Winifred Brown and Mildred Alberts and four brothers, James, William, John and Robert Daugherty. Friends will be received from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P.M. Monday in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 724-929-5300, 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 10 A.M. in the funeral home with Rev. David Zona, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Belle Vernon officiating. Interment will be in Mon Valley Memorial Park.