

Verna P. Smarsty
November 26, 1926 - July 4, 2013

Verna P. Smarsty, 86, of Moline, passed away Thursday, July 4, 2013, at her home.

A committal service will be held at National Cemetery at a later date. There is no visitation. DeRoo Funeral Home, Moline is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or Hospice Compassus.

Verna was born November 26, 1926, in Rockwell City, IA, the daughter of William O. & Lydia C. Flack Hurdel. She married Richard E. "Dick" Smarsty in August of 1948, in Moline.

She had been employed as a secretary at Moline High School for many years.

Verna had a passion for golf and had won many local tournaments. She also enjoyed painting and playing Bingo at Christ the King Church and the Vikings Club. She dearly loved her husband, children and grandchildren.

Surviving are her husband, Richard, daughters, Suzy Dietsch & Nancy Mockmore and sons, Ron & Terry Smarsty. There are 7 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Verna was preceded in death by her parents, an infant daughter, Lydia and 9 sisters and brothers.

Source; DeRoo Funeral Home website

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Richard and Verna Smarsty

Richard E. and Verna P. Smarsty, 3407 45th St., Moline, will observe their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 21.

They recently celebrated their anniversary during a trip to Hawaii with another couple, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Charles Phipps of Pharr, Texas, who also were celebrating their 50th anniversary. They cruised the Hawaiian Islands aboard the USS Independence.

The former Verna P. Hurdel and Mr. Smarsty were married Aug. 21, 1948, in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Moline.

Their children are Suzanne Dietsch, Galva; Nancy Smarsty, Moline; Ron Smarsty, Sarasota, Fla., and Terry Smarsty, Geneva. There are seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

They are members of Christ the King Catholic Church, Moline.

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