

Vivian Jean (Arp) Lacina



Vivian Jean (Arp) Lacina, 76, of rural Tama, died Friday, Nov. 25, 2011, at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Visitation for Vivian was held from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 29, at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home where her family was present to greet friends. Funeral services for Vivian were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home. Burial followed services at the Crystal Cemetery in Garwin, Iowa. Memorial contributions may be directed in Vivian's name to her family. For further information or to send a condolence please visit

www.mitchellfh.com or call (641) 844-1234.

Vivian Jean (Arp) Lacina was born May 5, 1935, at the Indian Village Township in Tama, Iowa, the daughter of Milo Henry and Doris Arleen (Berry) Arp. She attended school at Howard #5 Township until the 6th grade when she entered the Tama County School System in Toledo, Iowa. She went on to graduate from high school in 1954. Vivian worked at "The Coffee Shop" in Tama until her marriage to Roger Joseph Lacina on February 10, 1955, at the Montour Parsonage in Montour, Iowa. Roger and Vivian spent their married lives on the home farm in Tama and had two daughters, Audrey Mae and Joyce Ann.

Vivian was actively working on their family farm with Roger caring for their stock cattle, hogs, chickens and milk cows of which they sold their surplus to local businesses in town. After they sold most of their livestock, she went back to work as a cashier at "Brooks Grocery Store" in Tama and also as a waitress at the "Big T Maidrite" in Toledo. In 1980, they retired from farming and rented out their farmland. In 1982, they opened the oil and mechanical business name Lacina Co. in LeGrand, Iowa. In 1985, they closed Lacina Co. and started the dump-trucking business named Roger J. Lacina Trucking (and Ag Lime and Rock Hauling). This kept Vivian very busy answering phones and bookkeeping. Vivian enjoyed crocheting, knitting, gardening, dancing, camping and card parties. She was a member of the Tama Eagles and the Tama/Toledo American Legion.

Vivian is survived by her husband of 56 years Roger Joseph Lacina; her two daughters, Audrey May (Lacina) King of Montour and Joyce Ann Lacina of Marshalltown; her three grandchildren, Wayne Roger Wilkey of Tama, James Hubert Dolezal Jr. of Waterloo and Ryan Lee King of Marshalltown; her siblings, Raynard (Betty) Arp of Toledo, Arlene (Henry) Horstmann of Gladbrook, Larry (Nancy) Arp of Petersburg, Virginia, Dean (Wanda) Arp of Auburn, Washington, Aletta (Robert) Wagner of Onsted, Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

Vivian was preceded in death by her grandparents, George Elmer & Lena Christina (Brill) Berry, and Henry & Anna Arp; her parents, Milo Henry and Doris Arleen (Betty) Arp; her sister, Leila Lena Anna (Arp) Staker; her brother, LaVerne Henry Arp; and her son-in-law, Larry Wayne King.

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