

## Maryellen Leaver Lewis



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**BIRTH** 25 Jul 1922

Rankin, Vermilion County, Illinois, USA

**DEATH** 29 Jan 2005 (aged 82)

Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois, USA

**BURIAL** Floral Hill Cemetery

Lovejoy Township, Iroquois County, Illinois, USA

**MEMORIAL ID** 15086461



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Maryellen Lewis, 82, of Kankakee, entered into new life surrounded by her family Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005 at Miller Center.

Mrs. Lewis was born on July 25, 1922 in Rankin, the daughter of John and Oma Rader Leaver. Her parents are deceased.

Her husband, Wilbur Eugene Lewis, her high school sweetheart, whom she married March 25, 1945 in Rossville, is deceased. He was shot down during the Korean War and was MIA.

Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Greg and Diana Lewis of Bourbonnais, Brian and Angie Lewis of St. Louis, Mo; two grandchildren, Matthew and Scott Lewis; one sister, Fanella Joyce Clark of St. John, Ind., and Amanda Leaver of Milwaukee, Wis; nieces and nephews; and one grand-niece and one grand-nephew. Three brothers, Harley Leaver, Raymond Leaver and Richard Leaver; two sisters and three brothers-in-law, Janice and Robert Stump, Hal Clark, and Lois and David Powell; and one brother and sister-in-law, John and Florence Leaver, are deceased.

Mrs. Lewis was a self-employed beautician for many years. She was also a housekeeper for Riverside Medical Center for many years until retirement in 1977. She volunteered for the Asbury United Methodist Thrift Shop.

She was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church, a member of the Kankakee Chapter of the Eastern Star, and was affiliated with the Women's Auxiliary of the Kankakee VFW.

In her later years, her grandchildren, Casey, Kelsey and Nate brought her the

most joy. She absolutely loved spending time with all three of them. She enjoyed helping others.

The Kankakee Daily Journal Newspaper  
**Family Members**

**Parents**



John Leaver  
1885–1946



Oma *Rader* Leaver  
1886–1973

**Spouse**



Wilbur Eugene Lewis  
1922–1952 (m. 1945)

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