



Ileda R. Lurvey

September 2, 1912 - December 29, 2008

DERBY LINE, VT -- Mrs. Ileda R. Lurvey, 96, of Derby Line, Vt., and formerly of Canaan, passed away late Monday evening, December 29, 2008, at the North Country Hospital in Newport, Vt.

Mrs. Lurvey was born on the family farm on Canaan Hill in Canaan, Vt., on September 2, 1912, a daughter of the late Freeman Russell and Edith (Gray) Russell.

Ileda was a 1930 graduate of Canaan High School and later graduated from Haverhill Municipal Hospitals in Haverhill, Mass., with her degree in nursing. On October 11, 1939, she married Erwin S. Lurvey, and for a number of years she worked as the matron of the Coös County Hospital, now the Coös County Nursing Hospital, while her husband was the superintendent of the Coös County Farm in West Stewartstown. She also worked for the State of New Hampshire Department of Health & Welfare, Division of Public Health. She retired, along with her husband, from the Coös County Hospital in 1968, and the two of them resided for a number of years in Gulfport, Fl., until her return to Vermont in early 2005.

She is survived by four nieces, Shirley Bassett of Derby, Vt., Sue Miller of Colebrook, Faye Young of Groveton, NH, and Ruby Huril of NH; and a nephew, Russell Rowell of Canaan, Vt.

Mrs. Lurvey is preceded in death by her husband, Erwin S. Lurvey in 1980; a brother, Everett "Pete" Russell; and two sisters, Bertrode Rowell and Lucy Beryl Young.

At Mrs. Lurvey's specific request, there are no calling hours. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. at the Alice Hunt Cemetery in Canaan.

Expressions of sympathy in Mrs. Lurvey's memory may be made to the Vermont affiliate of the American Heart Association, 434 Hurricane Lane, Williston, VT 05495.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.