

Ruth H. (Mackert) Rettenmaier

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Service Summary

Visitation

05:00 PM to 08:00 PM, Wed Aug 15, 2012

McGinnis-Chambers Funeral Home

644 River Drive Bettendorf, Iowa 52722

Funeral Service

10:30 AM Thu Aug 16, 2012

Location: - Not available -

Obituary

Ruth H. Rettenmaier, 88, a resident of Davenport, Iowa died Sunday, August 12, 2012 at Genesis Medical Center, East Campus, Davenport.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at Asbury United Methodist Church, Bettendorf, Iowa. Visitation will be held from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday at the McGinnis-Chambers Funeral Home, Bettendorf and again from 9:30 A.M. until the time of service Thursday at the church. Burial will be private. Memorials may be made to Asbury United Methodist Church.

Ruth was born May 8, 1924 in Dubuque, Iowa the daughter of Clarence and Helen (Pautz) Mackert. She graduated from the University of Dubuque with honors and her degree in education. In her earlier years she was employed as a high school math teacher at Postville High School, Postville, Iowa. She was united in marriage to Eugene G. Rettenmaier on June 19, 1948 in Dubuque.

In later years Ruth was a homemaker, mother of five children and math teacher at Bettendorf Middle School.

She was an active member of Asbury United Methodist Church, Bettendorf serving on many church boards, committees and other church activities.

She enjoyed playing cards, puzzle books, was an avid reader, letter writer and a great cook. Her family was the most important thing in her life.

Those left to honor her memory include her husband, Eugene G. Rettenmaier, Davenport, Iowa; her daughters, Judith (David) Renken, LeMars, Iowa, Nancy Thornburgh, Ypsilanti, Michigan and Debra (Stuart) Walker, Urbandale, Iowa; her sons, Thomas (Debi) Rettenmaier, Fountain Valley, California and David (Rebecca) Rettenmaier, Cincinnati, Ohio; her grandchildren, Bettina Bassinger, Beth Diehl, Travis Rettenmaier, Eric Thornburgh, Neil Renken, Mitch Walker, Erin Walker and Caitlin Rettenmaier; her great-granddaughter, Emma Bassinger and her brother, Eldon (Gerre) Mackert, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Roy Mackert.

Condolences and flowers may be sent to the family by visiting Ruth's obituary at www.McGinnis-Chambers.com.