Valera Hannah Christina (Peterson) Williams was born in Page County, lowa on July 26, 1908. She was one of two daughters born to Frank August and Laura (Falk) Peterson. Valera graduated from Essex, Iowa High School and later Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri. While at Stephens she majored in english and education and was an honor student. On November 2, 1931 she married Edwin John Williams in Lincoln, Nebraska. They became the parents of one son, John E. Williams. Valera and Edwin lived in Shenandoah for many years and he passed away in 1963. After his death, Valera moved to Ann Arbor. Michigan to be closer to family. Since the early seventies, she has lived with her sister. Corrine Oswald, north of Rock Port. Valera passed away at the Community Hospital in Fairfax, Missouri on Tuesday evening, September 14, 1999 at the age of 91.

Valera was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and a grandson, John Williams. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, John E. and lla Williams of Merritt Island, Florida; her sister, Corrine Oswald; three grandchildren, Jeffrey Williams, Scott A. Williams, and Sarah L. Williams-Johnson; three great grandchildren, John and Jessica Williams, and Annika Johnson.

Valera was a member of the St. John's Episcopal Church in Shenandoah, lowa, and a life member of the Rock Port Community Garden Club.

Memorials may be directed to the First Lutheran Church at Rock Port or to the donor's choice.

Open visitation after 9:00 am Thursday with family visitation Friday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 prior to the funeral service.

## IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF Valera H. C. Williams

DATE OF BIRTH July 26, 1908

DATE OF DEATH
September 14, 1999

TIME AND PLACE OF SERVICES
10:00 am
Friday, September 17, 1999
Chamberlain Funeral Home
Rock Port, Missouri

OFFICIATING
Pastor Tim Carey

INTERMENT 11:30 am Rose Hill Cemetery Shenandoah, Iowa

Care Entrusted To Chamberlain Funeral Home Rock Port, Missouri

