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"Bert?" a co-worker called. "Yes?" two voices replied. Bert Long and Bertha Moser both responded to their nickname at the Kresge store in Mt. Clemens, Michigan. It was the beginning of a beautiful relationship. Whether in Biloxi, Miami Beach, Jackson, Highland Park, Richmond, South Bend, Cincinnati, Parkersburg, Clarksville, Atlanta, or Ft. Wayne, "Bert and Bert" were in service to their neighbors, church, and community. After 48, years of marriage, her husband, Bert, died in November, 1988. Soon, Bertha moved to Bloomington to be with her daughter, Susan Langham (Ed), and family. She delighted in regular visits of grandchildren, Fr. Todd Goodson, Kimberly Cazzaniga (Vincenzo), Stephanie (Vincent Raffy), Jacob, Elizabeth and Zachary, with whom she talked, played, baked, read, laughed, and prayed. She dearly loved her great-grandchildren Rebekah, Leah, Benjamin and Francesco Cazzaniga. Bertha was preceded in death by her parents, Eugene and Irene (Hibbert) Moser, sisters, Mary Schalm and Eugena Chalfant, and is survived by sister Kay Rinkenberger. Bertha arrived in heaven just in time to celebrate her 95th birthday.

Mass of Resurrection will be Thursday, January 16 at 11:00am at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, in Bloomington. Viewing will begin at 10:15, and the Rosary at 10:45am. Fr. Todd Goodson (grandson) presiding. Burial will be on Friday, January 17, in Ft. Wayne at the Catholic Cemetery at 1:00pm.

Bertha's family are sincerely thankful for Dana's and Linda's (Hospice) gentle care. Also thanks to Brandy and Home Instead Senior Care.

Tribute Wall

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“ Bert and Bertha were two of the nicest people I have ever met. Prior to Bert's illness and death, they were very active volunteers at Covington Manor Nursing Center. They brought in their antique cars and gave residents (and staff) rides in the beautiful autos, called bingo, helped with Church and many large events. Even though it has been many years since they were volunteers, they have never been forgotten by those who knew them.

Sue Fritz,
former Activity Director
Covington Manor

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“ As the keeper of the Hibbert genealogy, I can picture all the relatives who have gone before you and are now welcoming you. What a great celebration it must be for Grandpa Andrew and Grandma Josephine Hibbert and all their descendants who have gone before us and wait our arrival.

It was my pleasure to spend time with you when I accompanied Kay and Sr. Thomas to Father Todd's ordination, what a great memory that was for me. I talked to Sister Thomas and as always, you are in her prayers.

My condolence to all your loving family and I am sure the memories of such a wonderful Mother, Grandmother, Great- Grandmother and friend will sustain them.

With love,
Ruby Hindt Duprey

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“ Susan,
Dan and I were saddened to hear the news of your mother's passing. We know you and your family will miss her. How comforting to know that she had a wonderful birthday celebration today! Our prayers are being said for all of you.

Sharon Larason - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM