



## Kathryn E. (Jellison) Purcell

June 27, 1921 - June 24, 2019

Kathryn E. (Jellison) Purcell, 97, of Bloomington, Indiana passed away on June 24, 2019 surrounded by her loving family.

Kathryn was born in Perry County, IN on June 27, 1921 to the late Louis and Cora (Allen) Jellison. She attended and graduated from Cannelton High School. Kathryn married the love of her life John Wesley Purcell in 1940. They made Bloomington their home and spent 75 wonderful years together and had 4 children. Kathryn began working at RCA during World War II to assist in the war efforts and continued to work there as an inspector for over 30 years until she retired. Kathryn was active in her community and was a lifelong church member at the Free Methodist Church in Bloomington, she was involved with the women's church groups and taught Sunday School. Kathryn was a member of the Home Economics Club where she was given honor of the first ever Homemaker of the Year Award in addition to being a member of a local Mother's Club. Kathryn was very crafty and loved to sew and knit. She loved to make homemade gifts for her family and friends. She was a wonderful cook and making meals for her family brought her a lot of joy. Kathryn was a social person, who loved games, parties, had a great sense of humor, and loved laughing. She had many wonderful lifelong friends that meant the world to her. Kathryn was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, and a truly special friend. She will be deeply missed.

Kathryn is survived by her children, Loretta Head (John), Dorena "Dodie" Worthington (George), and Jonetta Tesh (Bill); son in law, Ray Stephens; 12 grandchildren; 24 greatgrandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren.

Kathryn is preceded in death by her husband of 75 years, John Wesley Purcell; her parents and siblings; daughter, Barbara Stephens; and great - grandson, Hunter Stephens.

A Funeral service will be held on Thursday, June 27 at 12:00 P.M. at Allen Funeral Home. Friends may visit from 11:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 27 at the Funeral Home.

Memorial contribution may be made to The Free Methodist Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Service

JUN 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dodie - I loved hearing how you shared such good times with your Mom and sisters - such great memories - my caring thoughts with you and all the family.*  
*Lily Pockrandt*

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**Lily Pockrandt** - June 26, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Kathryn E. (Jellison) Purcell.*



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June 26, 2019 at 10:29 AM