



Esther L. Alter

September 15, 2009

Esther L. Alter, age 86 of TR 58, Forest, OH died at the Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus, OH on Tues. Sept. 15, 2009 at 10:05 a.m. She was born on Feb. 20, 1923 in Williamstown, OH to the late John and Madelle (Thomas) Wolford. Esther married Elmer N. Alter on July 30, 1944 in Williamstown, OH and he survives in Forest.

She has four daughters surviving Susan (Bruce) Barth, Lambertville, MI, Joanne (Arden) Heckathorn, Upper Sandusky, OH, Roberta Stafford, Nashport, OH, Janice (Jeff) Dawson, Lima, OH, 8 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and a sister Ruth Bowers, Beaverdam, OH. She was preceded in death by son David A. Alter, sisters Josephine Wolford and Mildred Hughes.

Esther was a member of Bluffton Trinity United Methodist Church.

She graduated from Arlington High School in 1941. Esther was a homemaker and helped her husband on the dairy farm. Her hobbies included crocheting, knitting, taking care of grandchildren and great grandchildren. Later in life she liked reading the bible. Most importantly Esther enjoyed being with her family and believing in her faith.

A funeral service will be held Sat. Sept. 19, 2009 at 11:00a.m. in the Clark Shields Funeral Home, Forest with Pastor Don Clinger officiating. Visitation

will be on Friday Sept. 18, 2009 from 3-8 p.m. in the Clark Shields Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Hueston Cemetery, Forest. Memorials may be made to the Wyandot Memorial Hospital or the Wyandot County Relay for Life in care of Clark Shields Funeral Home 301 S. Patterson St. Forest, OH 45843. Visit www.shieldsfh.com to extend a condolence, share a memory or view the life tribute DVD.

<http://videos.lifetributes.com/?id=17378>

Tribute Wall



“ *Susan and Family, Our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Your mother was a dear person and she will be greatly missed. God Bless.##imported-begin##Mike & Alice Murphy##imported-end##*

September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the entire Alter family. Jesus has taught us that death is our heavenly birthday. Even though we grieve here on earth, the celebration of a new member in God's garden has begun. May you find comfort in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Steve and Joyce Tarris Tucson, Arizona##imported-end##*

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“ *Elmer,
You have our deepest sympathy. We have missed both you and Ester sitting in front of us at Church. Now Ester is sitting at the feet of Jesus.
Our prayer is that God be with you now in your time of loss.
God Bless
Kay Amstutz & Phyllis Amstutz##imported-begin##Kay Amstutz##imported-end##*

September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Elmer,

Please accept our sincere sympathies in the passing of Esther.

*God bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Jim Benshoff
Family##imported-end##*

September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Alter Family, Our sincerest condolences on the loss of
Esther. Although we met only a few brief times we know what she
meant to you. Dawn spoke so fondly of her and really cherished her
and we know she and all the Alter family will miss her dearly.*

With Sympathy,

*Valerie & Chis Voorheis##imported-begin##Valerie
Voorheis##imported-end##*

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