



Emma E. Kochert Perkins

(July 9, 1926 – October 31, 2021)

Relationship to St. Andrew:

Emma was a member of the church and enjoyed her many friends who also attended.

Family:

Sons : Ralph "Skip" (Phyllis) Kochert of Lafayette, Joseph "Ed" (Joey) Kochert of Maryland Heights, MO, Steven (Jamie) Kochert of Columbia, MO

Daughters: Mary Jo (Rodney) Vandever of West Lafayette, Emma Lou (Meredith) Maxwell of Flora, and Virginia "Ginny" Wells of Fishers

14 Grandchildren

26 Great Grandchildren

7 Great, Great Grandchildren.

Stepchildren: Gary Perkins, Rebecca Vandever, Cheryl (Larry) Winger

Recognitions, Activities, Special Interests:

Emma Hoagland graduated from high school in 1944. She married Joseph R. Kochert and he passed away in 1975. She later married Floyd Perkins in 1977 and he passed away in 1995. She worked for the Dairy Herd Improvement Association and for Von Tobel Hardware Store., as well

as supporting her husband Joe in his construction business. In addition to her church membership, she was a member of the United Methodist Women and the Indiana Extension Homemakers Association. She was a Girl Scout Leader and very active with the Boy Scouts. Emma's family were central focus in her life. In addition, she enjoyed bowling, crocheting and sewing – making most of her clothes and her childrens' clothes as they were growing up. She had a gift for poetry. She traveled to Ireland when she was 80 years old and enjoyed a hot air balloon ride when she was 90 years old. She had a great attitude and wonderful sense of humor.

Use of Funds:

Funds will be used to support something needed for the children at St. Andrew.

Obituary:



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Emma E. Kochert Perkins, 95, of West Lafayette, passed away on Sunday, October 31, 2021, at Franciscan Health Lafayette East.

She was born July 9, 1926, in Veedersburg, IN, to the late G. Ray and Mae (Bucher) Hoagland.

Emma graduated from Wea High School in 1944. On August 10, 1944, she married Joseph R. Kochert and he preceded her in death on November 8, 1975. She later married Floyd Perkins on May 28, 1977, and he preceded her in death on August 30, 1995. Emma worked for the Dairy Herd Improvement Association for many years and had also worked at Von Tobel Hardware Store. She supported her husband Joe for many years in his construction business.

Emma was a member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women and Indiana Extension Homemakers Association. Emma enjoyed bowling, crocheting and spending time with her grandchildren. She especially enjoyed her trip to Ireland at 80 years old and a hot air balloon ride at 90 years old. Emma had been a Girl Scout Leader and was very active with the Boy Scouts.

Surviving are her children Ralph "Skip" (Phyllis) Kochert of Lafayette, Joseph "Ed" (Joey) Kochert of Maryland Heights, MO, Mary Jo (Rodney) Vandever of West Lafayette, Emma Lou (Meredith) Maxwell of Flora, Virginia "Ginny" Wells of Fishers, Steven (Jamie) Kochert of Columbia, MO, 14 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren. Also surviving are her stepchildren Gary Perkins, Rebecca Vandever, Cheryl (Larry) Winger, sister Mary Lou (Robert) Jackson and sister-in-law Louise Hoagland.

Emma was preceded in death by her siblings Ralph Blue, Charles Hoagland, Betty Bruner, Violet and Grace Hoagland.

Visitation will be from 2:00 pm until the time of the service at 3:00 pm on Saturday, November 6, 2021, at St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 4703 North 50 West West Lafayette, Rev. Christopher Danielson officiating. Entombment will be at Tippecanoe Memory Gardens in West Lafayette, Indiana. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society in Emma's memory.