



Dorothy J. Schwaninger

December 16, 1925 - April 13, 2009

Dorothy Jane Schwaninger of Trappe, died at the Chesapeake Woods Center, Cambridge, on Monday April 13, 2009. She was 83.

Born in Trappe on December 16, 1925 she was the daughter of the late Harvey Roy and Bertha Diefenderfer Mushaw. After graduating from Trappe High School in 1942 she attended nursing school in Baltimore. In 1946 she married John Melvin Schwaninger, they made their home in Trappe. Mrs. Schwaninger helped work the family farm in addition to taking care of her family. Mr. Schwaninger died in 1980.

Mrs. Schwaninger was a member of the Easton Church of God where she taught Sunday School for many years, attending church regularly until her health failed. She was also a member of the Trappe Alumni Association. Mrs. Schwaninger loved her family and her pets and critters, especially her cats. She enjoyed being at home.

Mrs. Schwaninger is survived by two sons; J. Melvin Schwaninger and his wife Laurann of Bozman, Timothy Schwaninger and his fiancée Ruth Higgins of Trappe, three grandchildren; John Melvin Schwaninger III and his wife Amy of Trappe, Kathy Borland and her husband Eric of Lumberton, TX., and Jennifer Baker and her husband Garrit of Preston, five Great-grandchildren; John Melvin Schwaninger IV, Daniel Jacob Schwaninger, Kaitlyn Borland, Errolyn Borland and Madison Baker. In addition to her parents and Husband she was preceded in death by a baby brother, Ephriam Mushaw, and a granddaughter, Hope Jackson.

Services will be held at 11:00AM on Monday, April 20, 2009 at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home P.A. Easton where friends may call on Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00PM. Serving as pallbearers are R.D. Diefenderfer, Jr., Eifram Diefenderfer, John Schwaninger, Garrit Baker, Mike Lyons and Dickie Harmon.

Burial will be in Springhill Cemetery, Easton.

Memorial donations may be made to Talbot Hospice Foundation, 586 Cynwod Drive, Easton, MD 21601 or to the Emmanuel Wesleyan Church, 29503 Piney Hill Rd. , Trappe, MD 21673. (www.fhnfuneralhome.com)

Tribute Wall



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“ Dorothy J. Schwaninger

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“ Dorothy J. Schwaninger

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



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