

Commercial Review, The (Portland, IN) - Tuesday, March 4, 2008

Freda Christman, 91, 550 S. Washington St., Pennville, died Saturday at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. Born on Jan. 2, 1917, in Jay County, to Lester and Mary (Hartup) Paxson, she was a 1935 graduate of Pennville High School. She was married on March 5, 1949, to Earl Christman, who died on June 16, 2002. Her first husband Edward Thornburg, who she married on Jan. 17, 1936, preceded her in death in September of 1946. She was a homemaker and had worked at Dr. Lopez's office. Memberships include Pennville United Methodist Church and Delta Theta Tau Sorority in Pennville. Survivors include a son, Jerry Thornburg, Bryant; two sisters, Virginia Conkling, Portland, and Josephine Aschilman, Bluffton; five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Services are Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Pennville United Methodist Church with Pastor Chris Tiedeman officiating. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Pennville. Visitation is Tuesday from 3 to 8 p.m. at Baird-Freeman Funeral Home and one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the church. Memorials may be sent to Pennville United Methodist Church.

Contributed by Jane Edson