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Marilee Blankenbeker

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Marilee Blankenbeker, 81, Bluffton, died Wednesday in New Haven. Born in Noblesville to Harry and Mary (Smith) Hiday, she graduated from Petroleum High School in 1946. She was preceded in death on Sept. 16, 1994, by her husband Ray E. Blankenbeker, whom she married on Nov. 13, 1946 in Hartford City. She served as postmaster at the Pennville Post Office for 15 years and was owner/operator of the Pennville Corner Drug Store for 14 years. Survivors include two sons, Ken Blankenbeker, Corona, Calif., and Danny Blankenbeker, New Haven; one brother, Malcolm Hiday, Ossian; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Services are Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Pennville. Visitation is Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m. and one hour prior to services on Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be sent to Parkview Hospice, 1900 Carew St., Suite 6, Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

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