

Nancy A. Whitsell, 80 of Alpha, IL died Thursday, January 25, 2018 at Heartland Health Care Center in Galesburg, IL. Services are 11 a.m. Monday, January 29, 2018 at Peterson-Wallin-Knox Funeral Home in Alpha followed by a luncheon at the Alpha United Methodist Church. Graveside services are 3:00 p.m. Monday at the Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Kewanee. Visitation is 2-4 p.m. Sunday January 28, 2018 at Peterson-Wallin-Knox Funeral Home in Alpha where memorials may be left to Crescent Lake Club. Online condolences can be made at [www.petersonwallinknox.com](http://www.petersonwallinknox.com).

She was born in Kewanee, Illinois on June 21, 1937 to Clarence and Ruth Erickson Ensley. She graduated from Kewanee High School in 1955.

Nancy married Stanley G. Whitsell October 14, 1956 in Kewanee, Illinois. She was a homemaker and was employed seasonably at Pioneer in Woodhull for 22 years. She worked at Lynn Implement Co. and Kastle Kreime at Sandburg Mall in Galesburg.

She was a member of the Crescent Lake Club in Alpha and enjoyed bowling and playing cards in her card club for over 51 years.

She is survived by her husband, Stanley, three daughters: Crystal (Mark) Mathis of Galesburg, IL; Sherry (Tim) DeShane of New Windsor, IL; Penny Whitsell (Don Adams) of Matherville, IL; 4 grandchildren: Jessica Mathis, Jason DeShane (Heather Coffey) and Trent (Kayli) DeShane and Ashley Clark; 3 great grandchildren: Alexandria Roden; Lucy Coffey and Gwen DeShane; one brother: Dean Ensley of Antioch, CA; several nieces and nephews.

Her parents, one son, Kevin, one grandson, three sisters and three brothers preceded her in death.



*The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restores my soul:  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name' sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: For thou art with me;  
Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.  
He prepares a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies;  
He anoints my head with oil;  
My cup runs over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the House of the Lord  
forever.*

***In Memory of***  
Nancy A. Whitsell  
June 21, 1937 - January 25, 2018

***Services***  
11:00 AM Monday January 29, 2018  
Peterson-Wallin-Knox Funeral Home  
Alpha, Illinois

***Officiating***  
Reverend Zackary T. Glenn

***Organist***  
Pam Eiker

***Luncheon***  
Alpha United Methodist Church

***Graveside Services and Interment***  
3:00 PM Monday January 29, 2018  
Evergreen Memorial Gardens  
Kewanee, Illinois

***Pallbearers***  
Troy Whitsell      Jason DeShane  
Mark Mathis      Trent DeShane  
Stan Hunt      Tim DeShane