

Catherine C. Quenzer, 97, died Friday, Aug. 23, 2013, at Victoria Falls Nursing Home, Andover, after a short illness.

She was born Nov. 4, 1915, to Henry and Marie (Hamm) Claassen in Paso Robles, Calif.

She married Abraham H. Schultz Aug. 8, 1939, at the Willow Creek Mennonite Church in Paso Robles. He died Aug. 27, 1967.

She then married Paul Quenzer in 1984 in Kalispell, Mont. He died March 17, 2005.

She attended German grade school at the Willow Creek farm enclave.

She helped her father with the family orchards and dairy cows. She worked in Los Angeles for several years. She worked as a children's teacher. She worked as the reception and mailroom supervisor and switchboard operator at Grace Bible Institute (now Grace University) in Omaha, Neb., from 1968 to 1984.

She served in Mennonite churches in Henderson, Neb., Quakertown, Penn., Mount Lake, Minn., Richfield, Penn., and Steinbach, Manitoba.

She renovated her house to create rental apartments on the second floor and basement. She traveled many places, including Alaska, Australia and California, in order to visit her family and children.

Survivors include sons Al Schultz and wife, Bonnie Albion, Ind., Rich Schultz and wife, Debby, Arlington, Wash., Don Schultz and wife, Diann, Benton; daughters, Ruth Seth and husband,

Bob, Liberal, and Esther Bartsch and husband, Jim, Cottonwood Falls; daughter-in-law Bette Schultz, Kalispell; 20 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; five sisters, Gertrude Claassen, Marie Claassen, Agathe Lichti, Bertha Lichti and Emily Toevs; two brothers, Ernest Claassen and Eric Claassen; and her son, Ken.

- Viewing of the body will take place prior to memorial services at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31, at Swiss Church, Whitewater. The Rev. Jim Bartsch will preside.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Courage Homes, an aftercare home for rescued, trafficked girls in India at www.couragehomes.org or at SIM USA, P.O. Box 7900, Charlotte, NC, 28241.