

Leola "Lee" Ratliff of Bloomingdale. Funeral services for Leola "Lee" Ratliff (nee Derington), 76, formerly of the Colony Park Apartments in Carol Stream, will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, at the Hultgren Funeral Home, 304 N. Main St., Wheaton. Born Aug. 5, 1926, in Kankakee, she died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2003, at Alden Valley Ridge. Interment is private. Mrs. Ratliff worked for Sargent and Lundy Engineering in Chicago for more than 25 years. She was very active at what used to be Fairfield Avenue Baptist Church. She enjoyed her home and her family. In recent years, she loved to volunteer at Marklund Ministries in Roselle. Lee is survived by her children, Julia (Ron) Hoppe of Glendale Heights, JoAnne (Larry) Barrett of Elgin, Jerome (Charlene) Ratliff of Berwyn; close companion and mate, Paul Ellis; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and five brothers and sisters. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Seth; and a brother, Berwyn. Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. today, at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago, 20 E. Jackson Blvd. , Chicago, IL 60604. Friends may visit www.dailyherald.com/obits to express condolences and sign the guest book. For funeral information, (630)668-0027.

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