

**Hilda (Gegner) Stefan**, daughter of Karl & Theresia (Gutwein) Gegner, was born October 27, 1922 in Budapest, Hungary. **Hilda** grew up and received her education in Yugoslavia. At the age of 25, Hilda was baptized in Breidenbach, Germany. On April 6, 1952 she was united in marriage to William Stefan in Francesville, Indiana. The couple farmed briefly in Indiana, then made their home in Golden City, MO where they farmed, owned and operated Jasper County Seed Company and resided until her death.

**Hilda** was an active member of the Apostolic Christian Church. She loved flower gardening and her family pets. **Hilda** cherished being a wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and she will always be remembered for her loving, caring, gentle ways and her faith and love of God.

**Hilda** died at 6:50 a.m. on Sunday, March 21, 2004 at Freeman Health System in Joplin, MO having lived to reach the age of 81 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers and sisters, her son George and her grandson Stefan Koehl.

**Hilda** is survived by her husband of 51 years, William, her two sons Willie Stefan and his wife Natalie and Paul Stefan and his wife Debbie, both of rural Golden City, MO, her daughter Hildegard Koehl and her husband Jim of Morris, Minnesota, 11 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren which she all loved very dearly.

*Memorials may be given to the: Parkview Haven Retirement Home, Francesville, Indiana in care of the funeral home.*

In Memory of

## **HILDA (GEGNER) STEFAN**

BORN

**October 27, 1922**  
**Budapest, Hungary**  
**Age: 81 years 4 months 24 days**

DIED

**March 21 2004**  
**Joplin, Missouri**

FUNERAL SERVICES

**Wednesday, March 24, 2004 10:00 a.m.**  
**Apostolic Christian Church, Lamar, MO**

MUSIC

**Apostolic Christian Church Choir**

OFFICIATING

**Minister Lawrence Luthi**  
**Minister Bill Dotterer**

CASKET BEARERS

**Mark Stefan Doug Stefan Loren Schmidgall**  
**Andrew Garwood Gabe Johnston Brian Gastel**

INTERMENT

**Roseland Cemetery- Francesville, Indiana**

BRIEF FUNERAL SERVICE -

**Thursday, March 25, 2004 2:00 p.m.**  
**Querry-Ulbricht Funeral Home- Francesville, Indiana**  
**Ministers- Wendell Gudeman and Chris Huber**