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She married Robert Earl Willey Sr. on May 23, 1954 in Girard. He survives of Pittsburg.

They lived in Germany, Alaska, and California before returning to Beulah in 1980. They moved to Arkansas in 1987, and returned to Pittsburg in November of 2004.

They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2004.

Additional survivors include one daughter, Heidi Willey of Alma, Ark.; two sons, Robert E. Willey Jr. of Georgia, and David Willey of San Diego, Calif.; four grandchildren; one brother, Delbert Linville of Ambridge, Pa.; and two sisters, Nancy Swanson of Tampa, Fla., and Helen Jones of La Jara, Colo.

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