



## Audrey L. Luken

February 7, 1926 - May 22, 2026

Audrey Louise Braner Luken, Myrtle Beach, SC and formerly of New Berlin, IL, age 100, passed away on May 22, 2026.

Audrey was born February 7, 1926, in Springfield, IL, the daughter of Otto and Christiana Spence Braner. She married James Leonard Luken on September 26, 1948, at Douglas Avenue Methodist Church, Springfield, IL. He preceded her in death on May 23, 2003.

She graduated from New Berlin High School and Shurtleff College, Alton, IL. She retired from the State of Illinois, Department of Veterans Affairs. She was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, New Berlin, IL, a charter member of the Mary Martha Guild and the Cass-Morgan County Farm Bureau.

After the death of her husband James, she moved to Silver Spring, MD and then to Myrtle Beach, SC. Throughout these times she remained closely involved in the farming operation.

One daughter survives her, Bonnie Louise Luken (late husband Edward Barron), McLean, VA, and one son Dr. James Otto Luken, Myrtle Beach, SC. Also surviving are three grandsons, James Barron, Stephen Barron, and

Austin Luken; one sister Nadean Stahl, a niece, and nephew, one great nephew, one great niece and several cousins.

A graveside service will be held later at Luken Cemetery, southwest of New Berlin, IL.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church, New Berlin, IL or St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Carolina Forest Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.