



Ellen (Longley) Hitchings

December 5, 2017

Mrs. Hitchings was born in Shirley, May 25, 1918, a daughter of Howard and Lucy (Proctor) Longley and resided much of her life in Shirley. She was a 1935 graduate of Ayer High School and Becker Business College in 1937.

For 32 years Mrs. Hitchings worked as a secretary at George Frost Company in Shirley, retiring in 1980. She was a member of the Trinity Chapel in Shirley and Sunday School Superintendent Clerk of Church, as well as 4H Club and Girl Scout Leader.

The Grange was an important part of her life. She was the Master of Shirley Grange, Lecturer, Program Director, and served as a Secretary for 49 years. She also served as the Editor of the State Grange News. Mrs. Hitchings was 1st place among State Lectures 11 times. She was also a member of Dunstable Grange.

She leaves her daughter, Winniferd E. Gilchrest of Shirley; two grandchildren, Cynthia Castellon of Marlborough and Philip Gilchrest of Montana; three great grandchildren, Guillermo Castellon, Daniel Castellon, Melissa Cole; three great great grandchildren, Jayce, Elena, and Harley; and stepson, Ronald Hitchings.

She is predeceased by her brother, Melvin P Longley Sr.; her nephew, Melvin

P Longley Jr.; and her niece, Catherine Longley.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. It was an honor knowing Ellen for the last 6 years and being her neighbor, she will be truly missed.*

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