



Blanche Pugh

August 15, 1912 - April 13, 2009

Blanche Pugh, age 96, of Murphysboro passed away at 5:50 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2009, at the Shawnee Christian Nursing Center in Herrin, Illinois.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 17, 2009, at Pettett Funeral Home with Rev. Shaker Samuel officiating, and burial at Murdale Gardens of Memory. Friends may call from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Big Muddy Assisted Living, Shawnee Christian Nursing Center, or Hospice.

Blanche was born on August 15, 1912 in Sand Ridge, Illinois to Robert Dixon and Mary Etta (House) Dixon.

Blanche had worked as a fancy stitcher at the former Brown Shoe Company in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Blanche was saved at the Mt. Carbon Christian Church in Murphysboro.

She married Glenn McClane Smith on November 14, 1927 at Sand Ridge, and he preceded her in death on November 18, 1973. She later married George Ray Pugh on September 5, 1979, and he preceded her in death on November 5, 1990. She was also preceded in death by two sons, Bobby Gene Smith on October 21, 1977, and Vernon Lanell Smith on January 26, 2001, three brothers Ross Dixon, Ardell Dixon and Ray Dixon, and three sisters Ivy Wiseman, Marie Blankenship, and Dell Born.

Blanche is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Ilene and Phillip Cripps of Granite City, IL;

one daughter in law Shirley Hardwig Winter of Pinckneyville;

ten grandchildren: Mike Smith and his wife Michelle Smith of Ava, Janice Buerger and her husband Ed Buerger of Creal Springs, Bruce Cripps of Chicago, Dennis Cripps, Vicky Kraus, Cindy Cripps, and Kevin Cripps all of Granite City, Karen Vasquez of Lacooci, FL, Russell Cripps of Rancho Mirage, CA, and Richard Cripps and his wife Linda Cripps of Edwardsville, IL

She is also survived by 16 great grandchildren and 8 great great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ *Blanche Pugh*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Vicki and Family,*

Terry and I send our deepest sympathies to you during this difficult time. Our thoughts are with you always.

*Terry and Linda (Johnson) Green
Auburn, Indiana*

Linda Green - April 17, 2009 at 03:18 AM