



Ellen Nora Blankenship

October 23, 1924 - September 30, 2015

Ellen Nora Blankenship, 90, passed at at 6:18 p.m. Wednesday, September 30, 2015, at her residence in Murphysboro.

Ellen was born on October 23, 1924, in Red Ash, Virginia, to Charlie Newberry and Etta (Hess) Newberry.

Mrs. Blankenship was a member of the Pentecostal faith.

She was married to Bud Blankenship and he preceded her in death on April 2, 1985.

Mrs. Blankenship is survived by one daughter and her husband Nancy and Brad Rife of Murphysboro;

one son Bill Blankenship of Buford, VA;

four grandchildren Travis (Megan) Rife, Bradley Rife, Tiffany (Nathan) Shemwell, and Nikita "Nikki" (Matt) Shortt;

seven great grandchildren Tristan Shemwell, Trenton Shemwell, Lyla Rife, Ella Rife, Dianmond Shemwell, Kayden Rife, and Julianna Shemwell;

and one sister Evelyn "Jean' Philley of New York.

She was preceded in death by eleven brothers and sisters and her parents.

Gravesite services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 5, 2015, at Greenhill Memorial Gardens, 11800 Governor George C. Peery Hwy, Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Nora Blankenship*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Our hearts are with you and family in your time of sorrow. Hold on to your memories to help you get through this. She was a beautiful person. Hugs, thoughts and prayers to you and family*

John & Kim Joiner - October 01, 2015 at 06:36 PM