



## Gladys Belle McLaughlin

November 19, 1920 - September 25, 2017

Gladys Belle McLaughlin, 96, of Murphysboro, passed away at 11:20 a.m. Monday, September 25, 2017, at her residence in Murphysboro.

Gladys was born on November 19, 1920, in DeSoto, Illinois, to Daniel Logan Kimmel and Dora (Jacquot) Kimmel.

She had worked as a nurse's aide for ten years at the Jackson County Nursing Home in Murphysboro.

Gladys had served as a 4 H Leader for the Grange Hall Lassie's for twenty years.

She enjoyed quilting and she especially loved to make baby quilts for all of her family, friends and church members. She loved babies!

At Pate Chapel Church, she was in charge of the nursery and taught Sunday School, and she and her husband were youth leaders. She was an excellent cook! She did a lot of home canning to feed her large family. She was also a very talented seamstress, and could look at something, make her own pattern and then make anything anyone wanted.

Gladys married Murray McLaughlin on June 28, 1941, in Murphysboro, and he

preceded her in death on November 2, 1994.

She is survived by five sons Donald (Susan) McLaughlin of Murphysboro, Gary McLaughlin and Dennis McLaughlin, both of Coulterville, John (Charlotte) of Murphysboro, and Craig (Mary Ann) McLaughlin of Cypress;

four daughters Jeanne Goforth, Gloria Canaley, Diana (Ken) Harris, and Cheryl (Bill) Graff of Murphysboro;

twenty six grandchildren, forty three great grandchildren and one on the way, and fifteen great great grandchildren and one on the way;

one sister Mildred Ward of Murphysboro;

and four sisters in law Wilma Kimmel of Mt. Vernon, Susie Costello of O'Fallon, MO, Beulah McLaughlin and Peggy McLaughlin, both of Murphysboro.

She was preceded in death by one daughter and son in law Judy and Clarence Schorn; one grandchild and two great grandchildren in infancy; three brothers Howard Kimmel, Clyde Kimmel, and Ardell Kimmel; one brother in infancy Logan Kimmel; one sister Marie Shephard; her parents; three sister in laws Hyacinth Krawczyk, Aleatha Mifflin, and Ann Crisler; three brother in laws Frank McLaughlin, Fred McLaughlin and Cleo McLaughlin; and her parents in law Murray and Pearl McLaughlin.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, September 29, 2017, at Murdale Baptist Church in Carbondale, with Rev. Paul Hicks and Rev. James Easton officiating and burial at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park. Visitation will held from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Murdale Baptist Church, Jackson

County 4 H, Hospice of Southern Illinois, Inc. or to Zion Cemetery. For more information, please visit [www.pettettfuneralhome.com](http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com).

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**Crain Funeral Home** - September 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM



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October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Gladys was a lovely lady and I have many memories of her and her family. She will certainly be missed but a lifetime of love and memories will sustain you. May God bless you all.*

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**Jeanette Crown** - September 28, 2017 at 09:17 AM