



Opal Virginia Hand

May 30, 1919 - February 19, 2013

Opal Virginia Hand, 93, of Murphysboro, Illinois, passed away at 12:45 a.m. Tuesday, February 19, 2013, at the Rehab and Care Center of Jackson County in Murphysboro.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 23, 2013, at Pettett Funeral Home and burial will be at Worthen Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday until 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Opal was born on May 30, 1919, in Jackson County, Illinois, to Richard Reames and Leathy Louise (Thies) Reames.

She was a homemaker and helped her husband farm and make hay. She had also worked for both Lustour and the Glove Factory in Murphysboro.

Opal liked to garden, both vegetable and flower gardening. Also, she was very proud of her Indian Heritage.

Mrs. Hand was a member of the Sandridge Baptist Church in Sandridge, Illinois.

On September 8, 1942, she married Gilbert Hand in Jackson, Missouri, and he preceded her in death on March 7, 2006.

Survivors include two children Carolyn Hand of Murphysboro and Jim Hand and his partner Paula Vogel, also of Murphysboro;

four grandchildren Harley James Hand, Sherrie Rawson, Michelle Prater, and Stephanie Rawson;

eight great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter;

one brother in law and his wife Pete and Betty Hand of Murphysboro, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, four sisters, and her parents.

Tribute Wall



“ *Opal Virginia Hand*

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