



Virginia I. Heiple

September 14, 1924 - August 15, 2005

DeSOTO: Virginia Imogene (Jeremiah) Heiple, age 80, of DeSoto, passed away at 1:50 p.m. Monday, August 8, 2005, at the Herrin Hospital, Herrin, Illinois.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, August 12, 2005, at Pettett Funeral Home with Rev. Chris Hottensen and Rev. Dennis Fager officiating and burial will be at DeSoto Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday until 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church in DeSoto or to Elm Street Baptist Church in Murphysboro.

Virginia was born on September 14, 1924, in DuQuoin, to Vern Jeremiah and Nell (Brayfield) Jeremiah. Having lost her dad in a coal mine accident at a very young age, she was lovingly raised by her mother and step father Mr. Clarence Buckles along with her three brothers George, Elmo, and Vern Jeremiah.

She was married to Harold E. Heiple, on June 23, 1956, in Murphysboro, and he preceded her in death on July 18, 1976. Together she and Harold worked hard to raise three sons on a farm in rural DeSoto.

Mrs. Heiple was a loving wife and mother with a friendly smile and had compassion for everyone she ever met. She spent many years teaching the toddler's Sunday School Class at Elm Street Baptist Church in Murphysboro. In recent years, she attended DeSoto Baptist Church, DeSoto, Illinois.

Virginia was a wonderful cook, who took great pleasure in creating meals for

family, friends, and anyone helping on the farm. All were welcome at her table. She loved to go fishing and dancing to country music. She loved Marty Robbins and Jimmy Dean.

She is survived by her three sons and two daughter in laws Danny W. and Judy Heiple of Anderson, SC, Ronnie Heiple and Larry D. and Rita Heiple, all of DeSoto.

She loved her grandchildren Nicki, Emily, Jacob, and Kristen Heiple, and Amy and Ariaah Geilhausen.

Mrs. Heiple was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, and she leaves a room full of love in the hearts of all who knew her.

Tribute Wall



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