



Ethel Mae Plemens

April 3, 1910 - July 19, 2012

Ethel Clark Plemens went to sleep on Thursday, July 19, 2012 and awoke in the presence of her Lord for Eternity. Ethel was born April 3, 1910 in a rural community that is now known as Paint Rock, TN. She married her husband, Newton Plemens in 1926 and they moved to Benedict, VA, where Mr. Plemens worked in the coal mines. They lived there about one year and then moved back to Roane County, TN, where they continued to live for several years. All seven of their children were in born in Harriman and Mr. Plemens worked for Mead Corporation (paper mill) until 1944 when he went to work at X-10 at the National Laboratory during World War II. The family moved that year to Oak Ridge, TN, when it was a new town.

Ethel was a stay at home mom until the last of her children were in high school. A few years before that the family had moved back to Harriman. She went to work for Miller & Brewer Dept. Store and also worked at Draper and Darwin Dept. Store. She loved being with people and always had a ready smile and a good word for all she met.

She became a member of Riverside Baptist Church in 1952 and continued to attend services regularly until she became a resident at Renaissance Terrace Care Facility. Even then she attended special services when able. She dearly loved the church and her church family.

Mrs. Plemens was preceded in death by her husband, Newton Plemens; her parents, Jim and Nancy Clark; her infant son, James Newton Plemens; other sons, Roy and Raymond Plemens; grandson, Bill Reed Plemens; a brother Floyd Clark and her daughter in law, Josephine Dubois Plemens.

Left to cherish her loving memory are her children, Rachel Hobgood of Beaver Dam, KY; Reed Plemens of Harriman, TN; Ralph Plemens of Inverness, FL; Rella (Carl) Schrimpsheer of Dayton, TN; daughters-in-law Linda Plemens of Rockwood, TN and Kathleen Plemens of Harriman; a sister-in-law, Faye Clark of Sweetwater, TN, and several nieces and nephews.

She will be sorely missed by all her grandchildren. They are Dee, Kip, Wes, John, Randy (Cindy), Pat, Mike, Clint (Alicia), Lori, Mark (Penny), Todd (Cheryl), Sean, Pruette (Deborah) and Nancy (Tommy). Ethel also has 24 great-grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren and 2 great-great-great grandsons.

Ethel was so passionate about all her family, but no more than they were of her. She will always be in their hearts. Visitation will be at Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman on Sunday, July 22, 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral service will be on Monday, July 23, 11 a.m., at Riverside Baptist Church with Rev.'s Richard Jones and Mason Goodman officiating. Burial will follow at Roane Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Riverside Baptist Church (www.riversidebc.net).

Tribute Wall

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“ I didn't get to meet you but a few times in my life but you were always smiling thats what I remember most about you. As I'm expecting my second child in just a couple of weeks she would be your first great-great-great- granddaughter and it sadens me to know that she won't get to meet you and I won't have any pictures of you with her like I do with my son. When my son was born he made our family have six liveing generations for the first time ever I will allways cherish the memories of him talking your ear of at your 100th birthday party you just kept smiling and listening like it was the most important conversation ever, I can't help but wish you were still around to meet my daughter but I know your in a better place and both my babies will have a beautiful angel in heaven looking after them.

Stacy Jeffries- Goatee - Owensboro, KY - great-great-granddaughter - December 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Happy memories I have of you Aunt Ethel

Virginia Craighead - Northville, MI - Niece - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Grannie-I remember coming to Harriman when I was in the Air Force and staying with you. We had lots of fun. I even took you and Aunt Jo to a movie, where you promptly fell asleep! Ha!! I absolutely couldn't wait to come to TN every summer for two weeks when I was a kid. Our family reunions are some of the best memories I have of my childhood. You always opened your arms for me and called me "Lori Jean". Sitting with you looking through photo albums, or going out to eat, and even going to Riverside on Sunday's are memories that I will take with me for the rest of my life. Even though I didn't live in TN, the time I spent there with you and our family meant the world to me and made me feel so loved. I will miss you Grannie but you will never be forgotten. PS Thank you so much for my dad, Ralph. He's the best dad in the whole world. I love you . Lori

Lori Plemens - Mankato, MN - granddaughter - July 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM