



Elizabeth Grace "Betty" Davis

March 21, 1920 - September 26, 2012

Elizabeth Grace "Betty" Davis, age 92, of Marion, IL passed away at 2:08 p.m. on Wednesday, September 26, 2012, at her home.

She was born in DuQuoin, IL on Sunday, March 21, 1920, the daughter of Robert W. and Mattie Jane (Wilks) Short.

The family moved to Marion, IL when she was a child and Elizabeth completed her schooling in Marion and was a graduate of Marion High School.

She was united in marriage to Harry Lynn Davis on Sunday, February 12, 1939, in St. Louis, MO and together they shared over sixty-seven years of marriage until his death on May 6, 2006.

Early in her working career she began working at Sangamo Electric, located west of Marion, working there for many years. Later in her lifetime she began working as a secretary for several years at First Baptist Church of Marion, IL.

She joined as a member of First Baptist Church of Marion in 1931, and currently was the longest living member. She has been very active in many activities of the church including; Training Union, the Kitchen Committee and teacher and superintendent of the Children's Primary Sunday School Department.

In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, gardening, cooking and spending time with her family. The times they would all gather together created many memories that will now be cherished by those she leaves behind.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Julie and Warren Douglas of Marion, IL; son, Steve Davis of Altamonte Springs, FL; four grandchildren, Deborah Hearn of Marion, IL, Kirk Douglas and his wife, Carleen of Marion, IL, Christine Saso and her husband, Mark of Longwood, FL and Janet Brooks of Deltona, FL; six great grandchildren, Leah Douglas and Erin Douglas both of Marion, IL, Grant Saso and Elaine Saso both of Longwood, FL, Julia Brooks of Deltona, FL and John Miller and his wife, Cassandra of Albuquerque, NM; two great-great grandchildren, Cierra Miller and Brennan Miller both of Albuquerque, NM; brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Linda Short of Cedarburg, WI; sister-in-law, Georgia Ruhe of Marion, IL, other extended family members and many friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers Bernard and Bobby Short and an infant sister.

The family would like to especially thank Betty's caregivers; Darlene Morrison, Christina Mobley and Dottie Short for the love and special care given during the last eight years. Arrangements for Elizabeth Grace "Betty" Davis were entrusted to Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court Street, of Marion, IL.

The time of visitation was on Saturday, September 29, 2012, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, located at 401 W. Union Street in Marion, IL. Following the time of visitation the funeral service was at 2:00 p.m. with Dr. Bob Dickerson presiding.

The prelude and postlude musical selections were presented by pianist, Byron Corzine. Special vocal musical selections presented during the service were "He Touched Me" by Elaine Hancock and "My Tribute" by Brian and Susan Summers both selections being accompanied by pianist, Byron Corzine.

Interment followed next to her husband Harry in Cana Cemetery located north of Goreville, IL.

Pallbearers were Keith Oxford, David Arnold, Carl Ruhe, Sam Short, Richard Short and Jim Ruhe.

After the committal service at the cemetery the family and friends gathered back at First Baptist Church for a meal and continued time of fellowship and support.

For those who preferred, memorial contributions were made to either "First Baptist Church Building Fund" or "Hospice of Southern Illinois" and mailed in care of Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, P.O. Box 370, Marion, IL 62959. Memorial envelopes were available at the church and funeral home.

For additional information please contact the funeral home by calling 618-993-2131.

Cemetery Events

Cana Cemetery

10800 IL 37
Goreville, IL,
62939

SEP 29 Visitation 12:00PM - 02:00PM

First Baptist Church
401 West Union Street 501 West Union Street, Marion, IL, US,
62959

SEP 29 Funeral Service 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Julie, Warren and Family: Our condolences at the passing of Betty. I missed the announcement of her death, or we would have visited. Please forgive the tardiness of the note.

Guy and Yolonde Peterson - October 15, 2012 at 01:37 PM



“ Julie, Pam and I are sorry to hear your mother passed away recently. We didn't know about it until Pam's mother, Mary Powell, said she went to the funeral on Saturday. we are thinking of you and Warren and you are both in our prayers.

Thomas Wimberly - October 02, 2012 at 09:05 AM



“ Julie, very sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. May God provide comfort to you and your family through this time. I'm thankful that we will see our mother's again one day.

Cheryl (Blumenstock) Milburn - September 28, 2012 at 08:24 AM



“ Julie, Sorry for the loss of your mother. Sharolyn Atwood

Sharolyn Atwood - September 30, 2012 at 04:10 PM



“ Julie, this is Randel Houston the middle grandson of Genevieve James. I think so fondly of how attentive "Betty" was to grandmother. She was always faithful to run and take care of Grandmothers affairs and was very kind to speak to me when I would call her from Memphis and check on the real facts of how grandmother was doing. I got to where I trusted her very much.

I will be praying for you and your family for she is close to your heart and she is still mother to you and the rest of your family and you will rejoice in being with her where we all shall worship our Lord together.

Randel B. Houston

Randel B. Houston - October 01, 2012 at 05:30 AM