



Bertha Malissa (Blaker) Helms

September 8, 1912 - October 13, 2012

Bertha Malissa (Blaker) Helms, 100, of Bloomfield, passed away at 3:45 p.m. Saturday, October 13, 2012 at Garden Villa of Bloomington.

Born September 8, 1912 in Greene County, she was the daughter of Willard and Almira (Hash) Blaker.

She and her husband Fred owned and operated the family farm and she was a homemaker. She was a member of Pleasant Ridge Church.

Surviving relatives include: her children, Bobby A. Helms (Janet) of Switz City, Richard Helms of Bloomington, Jarrel Helms (Virgie) of Bloomfield, Joy Richardson of Bloomington, Gayle Gedrich (Fred) of Annandale, Virginia and Freeda Hudson (John) of Solsberry; nineteen grandchildren, thirty-six great, grandchildren and eighteen great, great, grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Helms on August 16, 2006, her parents, sisters, Verna Huffman, Edna Martindale, Gertrude Shields and Gwen Norris, brothers, Charles and Paul Blaker and two grandsons, Eric Warren Helms and Timothy Jay Helms.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 18, 2012 at Jenkins & Sons Funeral Home in Bloomfield, with Rev. Eugene Helms officiating. Interment will follow in Hash cemetery in rural Bloomfield.

Public visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and 1 hour prior to services Thursday at the funeral home.

Online condolences to the family are available at www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall

JC

“*Freeda, just learned of your mom's passing. We were out of town. I have so many memories of her from when we were kids. I've spent many nights at your house. Remember our Sunday bike rides around the "groomerville circle!" Your mom and my mom were great neighbors. Now they both are rejoicing with Jesus. You have great memories to hold in your heart forever.*

Judy Correll - November 07, 2012 at 12:39 PM

JS

“*Thinking of you at this time - a nice picture of your mother - John and Brenda Baker Strange*

John Strange - October 17, 2012 at 08:04 AM

RF

“*SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THE PASSING OF YOUR LOVED ONE. SHE IS GONE FROM THIS EARTH BUT WILL ALWAYS BE IN YOUR HEARTS. MAY GOD BE WITH YOU IN THIS TIME OF SORROW.*

ROSEMARY FISHER - October 16, 2012 at 11:05 AM

LH

“*Sorry, Freeda, to hear of your Mother's death. She was a beautiful lady to be 100. Enjoyed seeing the pictures on Facebook. I'm sure you have enjoyed all these years with her. She has a beautiful smile which you inherited.*

Laura Jean Hollingshead - October 16, 2012 at 12:15 AM

BG

“ Bobby and Janet and all the Family - So sorry of the passing of your Mother. So happy to see reached 100. God Bless you all.

Bob Godfrey - October 15, 2012 at 06:02 PM

JC

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your Mother.

Julie Cook - October 15, 2012 at 11:52 AM

CC

“ Gayle, I'm sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family at this time.

charlis crays - October 15, 2012 at 09:14 AM

FB

“ Our thoughts an prayers are with your family.

Fred & Beverly Byers - October 14, 2012 at 05:09 PM