



Oretha B. Sowards

February 12, 1920 - April 9, 2013

Oretha B. Sowards, 93 of Huntington, WV, passed away, Tuesday, April 09, 2013 at home. She was born February 12, 1920 in Matheny, WV the daughter of the late Albany Carroll and Zeta Walker Brooks. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Glen F. Sowards; brother, Selmer Brooks; sister, Bertha Philaw; granddaughter, Natalie Sowards; grandson, Benjamin Sowards. She was a lifelong member of Pea Ridge Women's Club and a long time member of the Pea Ridge United Methodist Church where she had several very special friends, most especially, her best friend of 57 years, Nancy Braley. She is survived by two sons, Joseph W. Sowards of Charleston, WV, Ferrell G. (Barbara) Sowards and one daughter, Glenda S. Sowards (Russell Villars) all of Huntington, WV; grandchildren, Tracey Simonton (Daniel), Neal Sowards (Jessica), April Villars-Smith (John) and David Villars. She is also survived by two brothers, Hollis Brooks of Jesse, WV and Jamie Brooks (Christine) of Pineville, WV; one sister, Tensie Tracy (Harold) of Versailles, KY. and many nieces and nephews. We would also like to thank the very special caregivers that cared for her over the past few months for their care and devotion. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 PM on Friday, April 12, 2013 at Henson & Kitchen Family Funeral Home, Barboursville, WV with Rev. Dr. Gary Shepard officiating. Burial will follow in White Chapel Memorial Gardens, Barboursville, WV. The family will receive friends on Friday from 12:00 noon until service time at the funeral home. Online condolences and memories may also be shared with the family by

visiting www.hensonmortuary.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Oretha B. Sowards*

October 23, 2023 at 01:49 AM



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Roni and Robert Hudak - April 14, 2013 at 04:47 PM



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Kathy Adams-Spencer - April 14, 2013 at 12:10 PM



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Roni and Robert Hudak of Columbus, Ohio - April 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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Kathy Adams-Spencer of Ft. Worth, Tx - April 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *It was such an honor to spend time with Oretha and get to share in many laughs. She was such a beautiful and loving lady. I will miss seeing her bright smile and laughing over her love for buttermilk. My heart felt thoughts, prayers and love are with each and ever family member.*

Tina Blankenship - April 12, 2013 at 10:03 AM