

Grace Lucille Long

July 26, 1913 - October 25, 2012

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Grace Lucille Whitson Long, daughter of the late Joseph W. Whitson and Laura Edna Barry Whitson, was born on July 26, 1913, in Hickman, Kentucky, and departed this life at Winchester Place in Bernie, Missouri, on October 25, 2012, at the age of 99.

Mrs. Long was a member of the Bernie Church of Christ.

She taught in several school districts ending her career of nearly 45 years in the New Madrid County School District.

She belonged to the Retired Teachers Association and was a volunteer for the Dexter Hospital Auxiliary, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Red Cross.

She often spoke of the people that helped her make decisions at turning points in her life - the ones that encouraged her to go to high school and then on to college.

Only heaven knows how many times she was able to pass that encouragement on to a new generation.

She is survived by three daughters, Linda Vincent of Phoenix, Arizona, Brenda Campbell and her husband, Larry, of Phoenix, Arizona, Robbie Burnett, and her husband, John, of Campbell, Missouri; by her son-in-law, Tony Lape; by eleven grandchildren, Courtney Vincent, Susannah Goble, Caroline Culpepper, Chad Campbell, Todd Campbell, Hallie Campbell, Whitney Brothers, Meredith Peirick, Ian Lape, Martha Hutchens and John Burnett; and by seventeen great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Danna Lape; six brothers, John Barry Whitson, William Daniel Whitson, Edward Carmack Whitson, Joseph Allen Whitson, Earl Jackson Whitson and Jesse Floyd Whitson; and by one sister, Minnie Myrtle Whitson.

Friends may call at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Sunday, October 28, 2012.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Stan Dauck on Sunday, October 28, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. at the Rainey-Mathis Funeral Chapel.

Interment will follow at Mounds Memorial Park in New Madrid, Missouri. Live Code (Leave Code exact)



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Place of Birth: Hickman, KY
Death: October 25, 2012
Place of Death: Bernie, MO
Occupation: Teacher