



Frankie Jean Gaines Wilson

November 15, 1931 - July 31, 2010

Went to be with the Lord on July 31, 2010. She was 78 years old. Her birth was on November 15, 1931 at Drakesboro, KY to Frank Taylor and Dorothy Viola Parsons Gaines. In 1936 the family moved to Evansville, IN to escape the poor standard of living in the coal mining area where they resided. The oldest of eight siblings, Frankie did not have a childhood as such. She was very involved in the caring and nurturing of her younger siblings. Her family household lacked modern amenities of today, making housekeeping task much more laborious. She was bright enough that she was ♦double promoted♦ and skipped the 4th grade. After attending Bosse H. S. she dropped out in order to work and help her family, who had experienced a financial reversal. Mom took pride in being a charter member of the Covert Ave. Baptist Church located in Evansville, IN. She accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior when she was fourteen. In recent years she was a member of Indiana Creek Christian Church, but her health did not allow her to attend much. Mom married William Bryant (Bill) Wilson in 1951 and they celebrated 47 years of marriage. She helped raise three sons and was indeed the perfect Mother in every respect. Frankie was always striving to make the home clean, pleasant, loving and homespun. Her children never wanted for any of the necessities of life. Christian spiritual leadership was her theme as well. Frankie and Bill moved to Indianapolis in 1960. A good role model on work ethic, she was a retiree from the Standard Grocery Store. As a cashier she enjoyed meeting the public. Proud membership in the Retail Clerk♦s

Union, allowed her to serve the members as a Union Stewardess for many years at her local store. Work and family duties left Frankie with little time for herself. On occasion she did enjoy live Gospel and Country-Western Music Concerts. She leaves to cherish her memories, three proud son: Robert L. (Lucian) Wilson & Steven (Willie) K. (Linda) Wilson of Indianapolis, Randall (Randy) K. (Dianne) Wilson of Morristown, IN, seven grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. In addition she is survived by loving sisters, JoeAnn Barlett, Evansville, IN, Delores Pritcher, Terre Haute, IN, and Dixie Wimmenaur, Gilbert, AZ, brother, David K. Gaines, New Harmony, IN, and many nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband, William B. (Bill) Wilson; siblings, Clifford, Donald Wayne and Mary Ellen; one grandson, Timothy Bryant Wilson and one great-granddaughter, Audrey Gail Spegal. Visitation will be at Tuesday, August 3 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, followed by committal service at Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family request memorial contributions made to the Indiana Masonic Home or Riley Children's Hospital.