



## Hazel Irene Johnson

November 13, 1927 - July 23, 2016

Hazel Irene Johnson, 88, of rural Murrayville went to be with her Lord and Savior Saturday, July 23, 2016, at her home in Murrayville. She was born Nov. 13, 1927 in Roodhouse, the daughter of Marvin and Lillian Ward Hoots. She married Richard J. Johnson Jr., Nov. 26, 1947, in Jacksonville.

Surviving is her husband, Richard Johnson Jr. of Murrayville; children, Theresa (Steven) Andras of Manchester, Steve (Patty) Johnson of Ashland, Bruce (Bonnie) Johnson of Murrayville, and Philip Johnson of Roodhouse; 10 grandchildren, Angela (Brad) Hoots, Christi (Brent) Farrall, Will (Kim) Andras, Sadie Johnson, Rachel (Tyler) Edge, Hannah (Nick) Stephens, Gracie (Christopher) Devlin, Kari (Stephen) Lowery, Brandon and Bailey Johnson, 8 great grandchildren; siblings, Mary (Enrique) Bleauer of Cabot, AR, and Delmar (Shelba) Hoots of Jacksonville; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a great granddaughter, siblings and spouses, Reba (Jim) Martin, George (Glenna) Hoots, and Vivian (Francis) Bunch.

Hazel was a member of the Manchester Baptist Church. Her first job out of high school was as a clerk at the Walgreen soda fountain. Following the raising of her children, she worked for Mason's Grocery in Murrayville for 43 years where she became known as one of the "gals" in the deli making delicious meringue pies and fabulous potato salad. Hazel never knew a stranger, giving nicknames such as Honey, Sweetie, Sugar, Darling, and Baby Doll to her many customers and those she loved. The grandchildren always enjoyed her telling them of the times she walked a mile to work in high heels and a dress, no matter of the weather, when she worked as an operator for General Telephone in Jacksonville. Hazel was never one wanting anything for herself, but dedicated herself to taking care of others. She was a wonderful farm wife to Richard and a devoted mother to her children and grandchildren. Among her most cherished times were those she spent with her family serving them her famous mashed potatoes.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, 2016, at the Manchester Baptist Church with interment in the Memorial Lawn Cemetery near Jacksonville. Visitation

will be held Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. until time of the service at the church. Memorials are suggested to the Manchester Baptist Church or Memorial Hospice.

# Cemetery

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**Memorial Lawn**

Jacksonville, IL,

# Events

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**JUL Visitation 09:00AM - 11:00AM**

**27**

MANCHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH  
MANCHESTER, IL, US

**JUL Service 11:00AM**

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MANCHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH  
MANCHESTER, IL, US

# Comments

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“ Linda Martin Hughes lit a candle in memory of Hazel Irene Johnson



**Linda Martin Hughes** - November 23, 2020 at 07:59 PM

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“ Steve, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you. Dan Currier

**Dan Currier** - July 27, 2016 at 09:18 AM

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“ Richard & Karen Beach lit a candle in memory of Hazel Irene Johnson



**Richard & Karen Beach** - July 26, 2016 at 08:45 PM

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“ To one of our most cherished "Second Families" , our sincerest condolences during this time at the loss of a cherished loved one. Hazel was a grand lady and certainly will be missed by the community and most by you , her family. My personal and most favorite memory of Hazel is at the checkout counter at Mason's grocery, I've never known why or how but for over 20 years she called me Dave. I never found a good enough reason to correct her and certainly I've been called worse ! If Hazel ever has a bad day one would never have known it for she always had a smile on her face and a kind word to brighten your day. May God's healing hand touch each and everyone of you during this time of grieving.  
Don (Dave), Lori, Josh & Dalton Slater

Don Slater - July 26, 2016 at 08:44 PM

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“ Our sincere sympathy to the family of Hazel Johnson. She always had a smile on her face and was so helpful to everyone when she worked at Mason's Grocery Store in Murrayville.

Don and Irene Wilson - July 26, 2016 at 05:25 PM

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“ I was so sorry to hear of Hazels passing. She was not only my Great Aunt, but one of the sweetest ladies I had ever met! Always thinking of others. I have such wonderful memories of her and and all of the fun times growing up down the road. Theresa, Steve, Bruce and Phillip, you are in my thoughts as I know how hard it is to lose your parents.  
Also wanted to say what a beautiful tribute page you all put together! What a beautiful lady!

Kim Tighe

Kim Tighe - July 26, 2016 at 03:26 PM

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“ 80 files added to the album LifeTributes



**Daws Funeral Homes** - July 26, 2016 at 12:42 PM



“ What a BEAUTIFUL album.

A. - July 27, 2016 at 02:47 PM

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“ I want to send my deepest condolences to the Johnson family. My heart goes out to you in the loss of your mother. I remember Hazel working at Mason's market and always having a smile on her face. The day she called mom when we got back home from grocery shopping to tell her we had left Les at the store was so funny. I wish everyone a blessed day in your memories of her. I know it's hard to let go. From Big Pine, California. With loving memories, Jeff Heaton



**Jeff Heaton** - July 25, 2016 at 03:36 PM

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“ You are in our thoughts and prayers,

JoAnn Chumley & The All Occasion's Staff



**JoAnn Chumley** - July 25, 2016 at 09:51 AM