



Mildred Virginia Sipes

August 4, 1913 - February 17, 2012

Mildred Virginia Sipes, 98, of Patterson looked upon the face of her glorious Savior, Jesus, Friday, Feb. 17, 2012 at the Golden Good Shepherd Home in Golden, IL. and went to her heavenly home to reunite with her husband, Elmer, daughter, Dorothy Hausmann, and two sons, Howard and Robert "Bobby" Sipes.

Mildred Virginia Rutledge was born Aug. 4, 1913 in Barrow, IL, the daughter of Lowellyn and Rosa Day Rutledge. She and Elmer Sipes were united in marriage July 19, 1931. He preceded her in death Oct. 25, 1995.

Virginia left behind many dear friends and precious family members including sons, Richard (Linda) Sipes of Clayton, IL and Darryl (Carolyn) Sipes of Billings, MO; 23 grandchildren; 50 great grandchildren; and 33 great-great grandchildren. Also surviving are one brother, Gene (Rita) Rutledge of Granite City and two sisters, Edith Stoops of the State of Maine and Mary Ellen Glancey of the State of Louisiana. In addition to her husband and three children, one brother, Vivian Ruledge, and three sisters, Ina Bell, Irene Painter, and Nilah Means preceded her in death.

In her 98 years, Virginia worked as a nurse's assistant at the Passavant Area Hospital in Jacksonville and a licensed care worker at the Jacksonville Developmental Center. Loving and caring for her husband, children, and grandchildren was her primary and lifelong job. She was a member of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church for over sixty years and loved her Christian family.

Vistiation will be Tuesday after 2:00 p.m. with the family meeting friends from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church or the Golden Good Shepherd Home.

Cemetery Details

Pine Tree Cemetery

Patterson, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Mildred Virginia Sipes*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM

RS

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Rick Stoops - February 22, 2012 at 10:50 AM



“ *I remember as a little girl, thinking how pretty Aunt Virginia was. Grandma had a picture of her as a teenager. I used to tell everybody that I thought she was beautiful. My siblings and I grew up quite a few miles away, but when we visited Whitehall, we looked forward to Aunt Virginia and Uncle Elmer coming over, and of course, bringing the kids. My thoughts and prayers are with you now, in your sorrow.*

*I wish I knew all of you better. But, we are family, and I love you.
Your cousin, Sharon*

Sharon Walston - February 21, 2012 at 10:41 PM

RM

“ *To the Virginia Sipes Family*

Please accept my sincere condolences through the passing of your precious mother and grandmother; our great lady Virginia Sipes.

Would like to be with you to share in your grief; but quite impossible.

Be assured our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Your Family

John (Nilah) Mean

Rev John D Mean - February 20, 2012 at 03:47 PM

JT

“ 1 file added to the album *Grandma Sipe's and family*



Jennifer Thomas - February 20, 2012 at 02:57 PM

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Jennifer Thomas - February 20, 2012 at 02:56 PM

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“ *Darryl and Richard and families,
I love you dearly and God bless you! Thinking of you and my beloved sister,
Virginia.
Aunt Edith Stoops*

Edith Stoops - February 20, 2012 at 01:47 PM

SW

“ *Darryl and Richard,
We want to express our sympathy at the loss of your mother and our aunt,
Virginia. Though we are far away, we want you to know that we loved her very
much! We love you too and cherish the many memories!
Deanna (Stoops) Willhoite, Sharon (Stoops)Walston*

Sharon Walston - February 20, 2012 at 01:44 PM

RS

“ *Darrell, Richard, and family, A lot of miles separate us from being together today,
but, know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. Aunt Virginia certainly was
an inspiration to our whole family!
Love,
Rick & Shari Stoops*

Rick Stoops - February 20, 2012 at 01:10 PM

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“ *Tabitha Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mildred Virginia Sipes*



Tabitha Thomas - February 19, 2012 at 10:15 PM

PP

Aunt Virginia is a forever memory of strength and endurance. She faced whatever life dealt her with a positive attitude. She worked hard, loved much, and was there for others. Sometimes frank like Grandma Rutledge but usually right. I just looked at an old picture of family gathering taken at the Rutledge farm and then recall her help with my Mother during Mother's last year just two years ago. Many years has passed in between seeming like yesterday with cherished memories. You were loved.

Phyllis Painter Powell and Family

Phyllis Powell - February 21, 2012 at 12:57 PM

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“ *Spending summers with you and grandma Dorothy in Illinois were and always will be an amazing memory filled with warmth in my heart. Though I was afraid of the dark back then you always made me feel safe in your home. You made us all feel safe, welcome, and loved. You were definitely a person worthy of the long life you lived. We love you, and you'll never be forgotten, that'd be impossible. You left a lasting memory.*



*RIP Grandma.
From Tabitha and the Thomas family.
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Tabitha Thomas - February 19, 2012 at 10:07 PM



“ *We will miss Aunt Virginia.
My wife and I, would stop in to see her whenever we were in the area. she was always so kind and loving to me and my family. She was full of life and always seemed to have a positive outlook on life.*
Terry Painter and Family

Terry Painter - February 18, 2012 at 07:53 PM