



MARY L LOFTON

March 16, 1922 - October 3, 2010

Mary Lee Lofton, 88, of Kankakee, IL, died Sunday, October 3, 2010 at her home. Visitation will be Friday, October 8, 2010 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Lax Mortuary and again on Saturday, October 9, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. until time of Funeral Services at 10:00 A.M. at Shiloh Full Gospel Baptist Church, Kankakee. Pastor Alan Roundtree will officiate. Burial will be in Mound Grove Gardens of Memory.

Mary Lee Lofton was born March 16, 1922 in Crawford, Mississippi to Josephine and Peter Jackson.

Mary accepted Christ at the age of ten and was baptized at Brownridge Missionary Baptist Church in Crawford, Mississippi.

Mary attended Brownridge School in Crawford, Mississippi and Mary Holmes Boarding School in West Point, Mississippi.

She was united in holy matrimony to Henry Lee Lofton in 1941, in Columbus, Mississippi.

Mrs. Lofton worked as an upholstery seamstress at Kroehler. Prior to that, she worked at Joliet Arsenal.

Mary enjoyed sewing, upholstering, collecting recipes, and spending endless time with all of her generations.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Louise and Preston Williams of Kankakee, IL; a grandson, which she raised, Terry Lofton of Kankakee, IL; a brother, Ira Nelson of Kankakee, IL; a daughter-in-law, Martha Lofton of Kankakee, IL; two grandchildren, Preston Lee Jr. and Ivy Williams, of Urbana, IL and Mary Jo Williams of Montgomery, AL; seven great-grandchildren, Terek and Tiffany Lofton of Kankakee, IL, Preston Lee Williams, III and Jacquelyn Deneen and Paul Douglas all of Urbana, IL, Jaymi Twkeis Hairston Ellis and Andre of Kankakee, IL, Nia Monet Williams Brown and Jordan Logan of Montgomery, AL; ten great-great-grandchildren, Ericka, Shakela, Stephon, Jaydyn, and Genesys Lofton, Jonathan Omar Ward, Jaylin Kristpher and Jaymari Kristhin Hairston, Antoine Andre Ellis and Micah Amiri Robinson; three great-great- great-grandchildren, La-Mya, Kahshawn, and Ahkyra Lofton and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends and her Cincinnati, OH family; special friends, Lubertha Brooks, Lizzie Rice, Delores Seymore, Bernice McClinton, and Reta Hawkins and special caretaker, and Johnnie Delinda Watson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a son, Johnny Lofton and a granddaughter, Kristie Ann Hairston.

Tribute Wall

VG

“ *My sincere condolences to you and yours during your time of loss. Mrs. Lofton was a very sweet woman and I pray for your strength in the Lord during this time.*

Veretta L. Gray - October 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *With sympathy in your loss.*

Elayne Coffie - October 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ *My sincere condolence to Mary Louise, Preston, and family. For many years past, Mary was my neighbor--and always, my friend. God Bless You.*

Ruth Nickens - October 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Our deepest sympathy and sincerest prayers are with you all during this time.*

Michael & Rita Morris - October 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *You are in my prayers..May the Lord comfort you and yours at this time*

Sharlene Gunn Lillard - October 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *The legacy will live on through the generations that have come from Mary Lee Lofton. What a tribute to her life. My condolence to the Williams/Lofton family at the passing of your monarch.*

Patricia Jamison - October 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *MAY THE FAMILY OF MAMA LOFTON BE BLESSED....I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THE CANDY STORE....*

CLAUDINE BROOKS-THOMPSON - October 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *My sympathy to the whole family. I knew Hank and Mary when Hank worked for me at the Shell Station on Court St. They are two of the nicest people I ever met. I would have trusted either of them with everything I have. I don't live there anymore, but I*

Clyde Langdoc - October 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *With deepest sympathy to the entier Family*

Jerome D. Pankey - October 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *God be with you my family. God is always in control. Be Blessed.*

Bettie Hairston-Calvert - October 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *WE HAVE KNOWN THE FAMILY FOR YEARS,A LOVELY FAMILY. SHE WILL BE MISSED, YOU ALL ARE IN OUR PRAYERS.*

MALONE FAMILY - October 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM