



Ilda May Bratton

August 23, 1917 - May 18, 2007

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Ilda May Bratton passed away at her home on Friday, May 18, 2007 at the age of 89. She was twice a victim of cancer, but victorious in life, and more than conquer at her death.

Ilda was born in Centerville, Kansas on August 23, 1917. She was the daughter of Arthur and Grace Cooper Browning. She was baptized into Christ on October 19, 1947, at Young's Chapel Christian Church near Salem, Illinois. (Now 60 years later her grandson, Steve Bratton, serves as minister to that congregation.) Since her baptism she has been a faithful servant of Christ and His church. She was host in her home to many visiting evangelists and missionaries; a youth worker; Bible Teacher to the end, at the age of 89 teaching a Bible School Class at 1st Christian Church in Petersburg, Illinois. She and her late husband, Dwight, were instrumental in establishing two new churches, in Lockport, Illinois and on the Lake of Egypt near Marion, Illinois. She was a nursing home volunteer, volunteering regularly at 3 nursing homes in the Petersburg, Illinois, area through the first months of her illness.

Dwight, who preceded her in death in 1980, and Ilda had 3 sons, all minister

of the Gospel: Larry (retired) of Homer, Illinois; Eddie (retired) of Petersburg, Illinois; and Dennis, minister at Christ Church at Mandarin in Jacksonville, Florida. She claimed her daughters-in-law as her own. All 13 grandchildren are faithful worshippers of Christ. She has 18 great grandchildren and 1 great, great grandchild.

Over the years in several different congregations Ilda Bratton made many close friends. They are united with the family in honoring a life well lived, and in their joy at her going home to be with the Lord and with those loved ones who have gone before. According to His promise, she can rest from her labors.

Funeral services will be held at the First Christian Church in Petersburg, IL on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 10:00 AM. Visitation will be held Sunday evening from 5 to 7 PM at the Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg. Burial will be at the Louisburg Cemetery in Louisburg, Kansas.

Memorials may be made to the Lake Springfield Christian Assembly. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com. Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ilda May Bratton*

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