



Virginia M. (Low) (Sherick) Raugh

September 8, 1915 - February 23, 2008

RAUGH, Virginia M. (Low) (Sherrick) age 92, of Bangor passed away Saturday evening, February 23, 2008 at her home. Family members were at her side, supported by Hospice nurses and friend, Naomi Pike. Virginia was born September 8, 1915 in Bangor, the daughter of George and Vera Low. On October 15, 1936, she married John H. Sherrick in Bangor. To this union were born two children, Sandra L. Sherrick and John E. Sherrick; both children were delivered by her grandfather, Dr. Edwin Low of Bangor. John and Virginia owned and operated the Arlington Dairy, Bangor until his first heart attack in 1958; he preceded her in death in 1961. Virginia also worked in the office at South Haven Community Hospital for several years. In 1963, she married Donald Duane Raugh and also gained two adult step-children, Jerry Raugh and Janice Gripentrog. The couple built a home in Grosse Ile, MI and Donald preceded her in death in 1984. She then returned to Bangor in 1995. Virginia was an active and lifelong member of the Methodist Church and a lifetime member of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed her family and many friends. Illness kept her homebound her last years, but she enjoyed the phone calls and visits from friends and family. Surviving are children, Sandra Valentine of Bangor, John (Margaret) Sherrick of Ft. Ashby, WV, Jerry (Barbara) Raugh of NC, Janice (Ned) Darby of NC; grandchildren, David (Ellie) Kerstetter of Louisville, KY, Paul (Pam) Valentine of Bangor, John Valentine of Bangor, Jeri Ann (Marc) Main of Abilene, TX, Gary Hicks of Mechanicsville, MD, Terry (Tara) Hicks of Annapolis, MD, Margaret (Steve) Higgs of Gilbert, AZ, Jennifer

(Edward) Fielding of Union Bridge, MD, Cathleen (William) Crowell of Lubbock, TX, Gwen (Vincent) Salinas of San Antonio, TX. Other grandchildren; Randy Gripentrog of Troy, MI, Julie Gripentrog of Southern Pine, NC, Danny Gripentrog of Utah, Suzette (Raymond) Lenzen of River Falls, WI, Jeffery (Robbie) Raugh of Buffalo, NY, Walter Raugh of Ann Arbor; many great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Two family members are currently serving in Iraq. Also surviving are special nieces and nephews; Michael (Margaret) Low of Galesburg, Patrick (Grace) Low of West Milan, NH, Tom (Cheryl) Low of Galesburg, Norma (Larry) Coats of Wiley, CO, Eddie (Judy) Valkner of Kalamazoo, Jeanette Valkner of Portage; extended nephew, Jerry (Shirley) Mead of Norfolk, VA. A very special friend from childhood, Emily Jane Jensen of Grant, MI, phoned her everyday at least once and hosted her on vacation at her winter home in Arizona for fourteen years. Another special friend was her former son-in-law, Roger Valentine of Lawrence. A special and helpful friend of the last decade was Naomi Pike and her husband, Francis and son, John. Preceding her in death were her two husbands, her parents, and a beloved brother, Edwin "Ted" Low and his wife, Eileen. According to her wishes, there will be no viewing and cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held 3:00 PM, Saturday, March 8, 2008 at Simpson United Methodist Church, Bangor. The family suggest memorials to Simpson UMC, Hospice at Home of South Haven, Bangor Historical Society, or charity of donor's choice. Arrangements by BANGOR CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 8. 3:00 PM (ET)

Simpson United Methodist Church
507 Joy Street
Bangor, MI