



Ethel "Betty" Braden

March 9, 1918 - November 17, 2007

Ethel "Betty" Elizabeth Braden, age 89, of Rudyard, Michigan passed away early Saturday morning, November 17, 2007 at War Memorial Hospital. She was born on March 9, 1918 in Beardstown, Illinois to the late Clarence and Maye (Harris) Hager. Betty graduated in 1936 from Beardstown High School, she married Othniel "Neil" Braden on April 14, 1940 in St. Louis, MO. Betty was the Public Librarian at the Rudyard Library for many years. She loved reading, painting, quilting, needlework and all kinds of handiwork. She also enjoyed scrapbooking and collecting articles on local and American history. Betty loved being with her family and she was always interested in what they were doing. She is survived by one son; David (Clara) Braden of Marquette, MI, three daughters; Beth (Dan) Funderburg of Ozark, MI, Joyce (Don) Willobee of Rudyard, MI, and Margi (Riley) Gaylor of Rudyard, MI, nine grandchildren; Jason Braden, Briana (Mark) Ware, Tami Pearce, Tina (Doug) Weber, Todd (Sabrina) Funderburg, Travis (Bobbie) Erner, Tracy (Randy) Royer, Lee Erner, Kenneth (Shelley) Gaylor, and many great-grandchildren. She is also survived by a brother; Omar Hager of Beardstown, IL, and a sister; Margaret Brockman of Jacksonville, IL. She was preceded in death by her parents; Clarence and Maye Hager, her husband; Othniel Braden, her daughter; Janet Fyke, a great granddaughter; Madison Maye Weber, and three brothers; Vern, Ben and Dale Hager. Visitation will be held from 6:00 until 8:00 PM on Tuesday, November 20, 2007 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, November 21, 2007

at the funeral home with Pastor Leroy Case officiating, followed by a luncheon at the Rudyard Township Hall at 12:30 PM. Burial will be at Ozark Grace Brethren Cemetery. Memorials may be left to the Rudyard Public Library.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Beth and Dan, our deepest sympathies on your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers on this day.*

Joe & Janice Lenoir (FS) - November 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

With Love and Sympathy,

The Kauppilas

Rod, Babs, Joel, John, Erica, Julie, and Jared.

Rod Kauppila - November 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ *Beth and family, I'm very sorry to hear about your Mother's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Leslie Neubert - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dave, Beth, Joyce, Margy and families.*

My thoughts and prayers are with all of you today. Your Mom was such a wonderful lady, so many happy memories at your house. I know how much you will miss her but also know she has gone to a much better place. Love to you all.

Nancy Ledridge - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Joyce,
*I would just like to say I'm sorry about your loss. And know that you
and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Esther & John Bertram

Esther Bertram - November 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM