



Madrene Cope

June 10, 2008

Edith Madrene Cope, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister and aunt passed away Tuesday, the 10th of June at The Baptist Home in Ironton, Missouri. Madrene was born April 7, 1922 at Des Arc, Missouri to William Absolum and Grace Melissa Partney Robinson. On June 15, 1940 she married John William Cope. To this union was born two daughters, Barbara Elaine and Judith Ann. Madrene was a graduate of Doniphan High School. She had worked for Woolworth's in St. Louis as a manager of the record department. In 1964, she moved to Cape Girardeau and worked for Superior Electric. In 2004 she moved to Ironton. She was a member of Red Star Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School. She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Viola Irene Bousamra and Lavada Lorene Walpole and brother Gerald Parker Robinson. She is survived by her husband, John; daughters, Elaine and her husband Howard Webb of Burlison, Texas, Judith Ann and her husband Alvin Bess of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; grandson Bryan David Brown and his wife Lee and great-grandson, Douglas of Norfolk, Virginia; her brother, William Garle Robinson of O'Fallon, Missouri; many dear nephews and neices. Madrene was an excellent seamstress. She enjoyed counted cross stitch embroidery, ceramics, and fishing with John. Sweet, devout, loyal and creative, her focus in life was God, her husband and family and her church. Her courage and grace in confronting her challenges in the last years of her life were inspiring to all who knew and loved her. Friends may call at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home on Friday, June 13, 2008 from

4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Funeral service will be at Red Star Baptist Church on Saturday, June 14, 2008 at 2:00 PM with the Rev. Cy Smith and Rev. Gerald Collier officiating. Burial will be at Unity Baptist Church Cemetery, in Benton, Mo.