



Vida Keys

February 24, 2009

Vida E. Woodruff Keys, 90, of Cape Girardeau, MO died Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at Ratliff Care Center in Cape Girardeau, MO. She was born June 1, 1918, in McCurtain, OK, the daughter of Levi and Maudigee Crabtree Woodruff. She and Clarence Eddie Keys were married on November 9, 1940 in Joplin, Missouri. He died April 15, 1974. Attended Conservatory of Jazz in Kansas City, Mo She was a member of the Antioch Baptist Church, charter member of Zonta Club. Also, a member of Eastern Star. She had formally been a musician for the Ringling Brothers Circus. She was the owner of Keys Music store and a professional musician who often played at the Purple Crackle. She raised funds for the Arthritis Foundation through her hat auction for 15 years and volunteered for the Salvation Army. She is survived by: Son-Eddie R. Keys and wife, Colleen of Cape Girardeau, Mo. Son-Larry Lucas and wife, Gloria of Bakersfield, Calif. Daughter-ViAnn Hall and husband, Tom of Santa Fe, Texas Daughter-Monta Sue Richardson and husband, Earl of Belton, Mo. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren 9 great grandchildren She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, 5 brothers, and 2 sisters. Visitation will be Friday, February 27, 2009 from 4 til 8:00 pm at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel. Funeral service will be Saturday, Feb. 28, 2009 at 11:00AM at the funeral chapel with Rev. Ron Watts officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eddie Keys Music Scholarship Fund in care of Southeast Missouri State Foundation or the Arthritis Foundation. Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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