



Edna Ilene Dowell

May 5, 1926 - October 3, 2018

Edna Ilene Dowell, age 92, of Latham, passed away October 3, 2018, at her home. She was born May 5, 1926, in Enon, Missouri, a daughter of the late Thomas Everett and Rachel Ann (Woolley) Smith.

On January 22, 1947, in Versailles, she was united in marriage to her surviving husband, Bennett Lee Dowell.

Edna grew up in Hopewell area and graduated from Barnett High School. She attended college in Warrensburg where she received her teaching certificate. She taught a year at Routon School and a year at Hopewell School, both one room school houses. She became a full time homemaker working alongside her family on their farm.

Edna attended Hopewell Union Church in Barnett. She was a member of the Friendly Neighbors Quilting Club. In her spare time, she enjoyed quilting, sewing, gardening, playing cards, bowling and cooking.

In addition to her husband Bennett Lee, of seventy-one years, she is survived by her daughters, Wanda Wilde and husband Greg of Latham, Missouri and Belva Gerke and husband Jim of Gravois Mills, Missouri; her son, David Dowell and wife Christie of California, Missouri; eight grandchildren, Shanay Lepper and husband Jim, Tiffany Lueckenotte and husband Keith, Shawna

Shewmaker and husband Brian, Barbara Whittle, Eric Gerke and wife Carolyn, Trisha Berve, Ben Gerke and wife Jessica and Cara Allen and husband Aaron; fourteen great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson due in December; several nieces and nephews and many friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, George Smith and Frank Smith and two infant sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, October 5th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles with Don Engelbrecht officiating. Graveside services and interment will follow at the Hopewell Cemetery in Barnett. The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Hopewell Cemetery Association, SSM Hospice or the California Nutrition Center.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Cemetery

19700 Highway C
Barnett, MO 65011

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel
207 North Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084
(573) 378-4655

Service

OCT 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

HS

“ Harld E. "Snuffy" Smith lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Harld E. "Snuffy" Smith - October 07, 2018 at 08:42 PM

JF

“ John Fahrni lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



John Fahrni - October 06, 2018 at 12:02 PM

JF

Deepest sympathies to Edna's family.

John & Jo Fahrni - October 06, 2018 at 12:03 PM

HS

Very much Sympathies to all the entire Dowell Family...

Harld E. "Snuffy" Smith - October 07, 2018 at 08:47 PM



“ Darles Vernon lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Darles Vernon - October 05, 2018 at 12:56 PM

TK

“ Wanda, it's been 49 years ago that we worked together at what was then Ralston Purina in California, Mo. You'll recall I knew Bill and Rose Brewer. May memories of your mother comfort you during this time.



Tom and Yvonne Kerr - October 04, 2018 at 10:13 PM

KD

“ Kathy Drake lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Kathy Drake - October 04, 2018 at 09:04 PM

KD

“ Larry & Kathy Drake

Kathy Drake - October 04, 2018 at 09:03 PM

BS

“ Brenda Smith lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Brenda Smith - October 04, 2018 at 07:50 PM

AF

“ So sorry for your loss, she was always a friendly wonderful person . cherish all your memories and know she is with her Lord and other family now.



Aubrey & Martha Foxworthy - October 04, 2018 at 01:49 PM

CM

“ Carol Morrison lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Carol Morrison - October 03, 2018 at 10:43 PM

MB

“ Mary Lee Brizendine lit a candle in memory of Edna Ilene Dowell



Mary Lee Brizendine - October 03, 2018 at 08:12 PM

MB

So sorry for your loss, the family are in my thoughts and prayers!

Mary Lee Brizendine - October 03, 2018 at 08:15 PM

MC

Mary and David Crane we are so sorry for your loss you are in our thoughts and Prayers May God be with you all

mary crane - October 04, 2018 at 01:03 AM

BC

Bill Combs says bless the soul of a wonderful person and prayers to all of the family

Bill Coombs - October 04, 2018 at 01:44 PM

RM

*We played lots of cards with Edna at the California Senior Center A Good lady
Bill and Ruth Maier*

Ruth Maier - October 04, 2018 at 03:16 PM

TH

Very sorry for your loss Edna was a special person ,if we can help in any let us know you are in our thoughts and prayers

Terry & Donna Hamilton - October 04, 2018 at 06:00 PM