



Ruby Marie Walker

February 7, 2006

Ruby Marie Kelsay Walker, was born near Versailles on November 20, 1911 to Hugh and Gertrude Kelsay. She passed away Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles at the age of 94. She was the fifth of six children. Her older siblings, Charles Sidney Kelsay, Gladys Taylor, Hazel Bennett, and Myrtle Bennett, have all preceded her in death.

Ruby married Lewis Truman Walker on October 30, 1930, and their first child, Wilma Eileen, was born on October 5, 1934. They moved to St. Louis in 1939. On September 19, 1948, their second child, James Edward, was born. In July 1953, Wilma married Norman Donald Hohl and Ruby and Truman gained a son-in-law they thought of as another son. This marriage resulted in two grandchildren for Ruby and Truman, Dennis and Cheryl. When James married, another grandchild, Kammie was born.

Ruby lived an active life and worked until she was age 62, at which time she retired and enjoyed her craftwork and senior citizen group. Cancer caused the death of Truman in June 1983, and James in August 2002. In October 2002, Ruby left St. Louis to reside at the Kidwell Home in Versailles and later at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles.

Although Ruby outlived most of her friends and many of her relatives, she is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Wilma and Norman Hohl; her

grandchildren, Dennis Hohl and his wife Jami, Cheryl Payne and her husband Danny, and Kammie Walker; her great-grandchildren, Brian and Lindsay Payne and Darren Hohl; her great-great-grandchild, Cole Vietmeyer; her sister and brother-in-law, Bessie and Everett Houser; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Ruby will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, February 9, 2006, at 10:30 a.m., at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles with Reverend Randy Smity officiating. The family will receive friends Wednesday, February 8, 2006, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Hopewell Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.