



Neva Grace Lyons

October 14, 1916 - February 24, 2009

Neva Grace Lyons, age 92, formerly of Rock Hill Farm, Cambridge, died Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at the Victorian Oaks Assisted Living Center. She was born on October 14, 1916 in Zanesville, Ohio, daughter of the late Henry Paxton James and Letha Phillis James.

Mrs. Lyons was: a graduate of Zanesville High School Class of 1934; a 60 year member of the First United Methodist Church, Cambridge; a member of the Eastern Star #211; a member of the Co-Ed Sunday School Class; a member of the Pastor-Parish Committee and various other committees of the church; a member of the Living Word Board for 10 years and was past president of the Living Word Board in 1995.

Along with being a homemaker, she and her husband owned and operated Rock Hill Farm, east of Cambridge where they raised Polled Hereford Cattle. They were also members of the Buckeye Polled Hereford Association and the American Polled Hereford Association in Kansas City, MO.

Neva was preceded in death by her husband, Robert E. Lyons on November 27, 1990, they were married on October 12, 1940. Also deceased are: two sons, J. Patrick Lyons and G. Michael Lyons; three brothers, Lawrence, Raye and Dale James and a sister Dorothy Lynn.

She is survived by: three sisters, Freda E. Shoe of Fairborn, OH., Mary Louise Bogard of Zanesville, OH., and Rhea Ralph Nixon of Zanesville, OH.; a daughter-in-law, Phyllis Lyons of Bellefontaine, OH.; two grandchildren, Devin & Kyle Lyons of Bellefontaine, OH.; many nieces and nephews; and a very

special friend, Fern Ogle of Cambridge, OH.

Visitation will be at Bundy-Law Funeral Home on Friday, February 27, 2009 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8pm and on Saturday, February 28, 2009 from 10am till time of service at 11am. Eastern Star services will be held at 7pm Friday evening. Rev. Dr. Terry Litton will officiate the funeral service with burial following in Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Guernsey P.O. Box 1165 Cambridge, Ohio 43725 or to the First United Methodist Church 641 Steubenville Ave. Cambridge, Ohio 43725. On line condolences may be sent to the family at www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Aunt Neva was so much to so many.

Obviously, she was a wonderful aunt... strong, smart, independent and tough ... but always a gentle lady in every way possible.

She was Uncle Bob's best friend and soulmate and she loved her friends, her family, and her God with all of her heart ... and not necessarily in that order!

Her Alabama family recalls so many fond memories... picking fresh raspberries at the farm... eating a shortstack of buckwheat pancakes for breakfast she was such a great cook and going down to the big barn to check on a new calf.

We also treasured the times she would come down to see us in Alabama, where we always delighted in showing off our Ohio roots. For a "Yankee," she always enjoyed Lola's Southern fried chicken and cornbread.

Aunt Neva made every room light up whenever she entered and our mother loved her truly like a sister... there was no "in-law" in Jean and Neva's relationship.

A very special memory for us was when she was able to join the Bonners in Washington in January 2003 for the swearing-in of the 108th Congress.

We know Uncle Bob, Mike and Pat have been made whole once again and we will always be inspired to do a good deed for someone else because of the life and legacy of Neva Grace Lyons.

May she rest in peace!###imported-begin##Jo Robins, Judy, Janee and Lee and Robins Bonner###imported-end##

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“ thanks for all the memories from hanging out at the farm, getting locked in a castle in France, and making yummy breakfasts for me! I will also remember being called you little Jenny B##imported-begin##Jenny Ball-Solano##imported-end##

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“ What a grand lady Neva was and is! We will always love you!

Dr. Dan & Barb Ball, Jenny B and Kirk##imported-begin##Dr. Dan and Barb Ball##imported-end##

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“ Wanted to share my condolences in the passing of Neva. She is with Bob, Mike and Pat now. She will be missed.

The Murgatroyd's
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“ Aunt Neva, you will be sorely missed. It was an honor to call you my Great Aunt. I was so proud of how you lived life to the fullest...and I still tell people to this day how my Great Aunt rode the Concorde and traveled the world! My sincere condolences to her family.##imported-begin##Wendy Allen/Allen Family##imported-end##

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