

## **Nixine Harpole**

## Rockbridge | Saturday, October 22 2016

Nixine B. Harpole, 94, formerly of Rockbridge, died at 3:50 p.m., Saturday, October 22, 2016 at Jerseyville Manor Nursing HomeShe was born in Walnut Ridge, Lawrence County, Arkansas on March 23, 1922, and was the daughter of the late Nicodemus and May (Whitson) Copeland. She married Odell Rice, and together with their two children, called Corning, Arkansas home. It was after the death of Odell, and her children, that Nixine relocated to the St. Louis area. For many years, she owned and operated a beauty shop on Whitelaw Avenue in Wood River, until 1978, when she married Wayburn Harpole. The two resided in Rockbridge II., for many years, and shared 16 years together before his death on Dec. 25, 1994. Although Nixine faced many hardships and heartaches throughout her life, she never let her faith in God waiver. Surviving are her two step sons and their spouses, James & Patty Harpole of Bethalto, IL., Boyd & Cindy Harpole of Brighton, IL., and a step daughter, from a previous marriage, and her husband, Linda & Ed Drainer of Jerseyville, IL.In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Delvetta Rice; and a son, Wayne Rice; along with her siblings. A memorial service will be conducted at 5 p.m., Friday, at the Heartland Baptist Church in Godfrey, Il. with Rev. Jim Grant officiating. Graveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Saturday at the Corning Cemetery, where Nixine will be laid to rest alongside her husband, Odell, and their children. Carmi Baptist Childrens Home in Carmi, Illinois has been named a memorial. Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville, Il., is in charge of the arrangements with the professional assistance of Ermert Funeral Home in Corning, Arkansas.