

## **Clara Balcom-Woods**

## Alton | Thursday, January 7 2010

NAME: Clara Belle Balcom-Woods AGE: 84 DIED: 1:00 a.m. Thursday January 7, 2010 at Eldercare Nursing Home in Alton BORN: January 16, 1924 in Chesterfield PARENTS: Willis and Mahala "Ann" (Taylor) Adams (Both Deceased) FIRST MARRIED: Harry L. Balcom DATE & PLACE: October 26, 1942 and they resided in Godfrey for many years until his death on Nov. 10, 1952 SECOND MARRIED: Sylvester Woods (Died January 1996) DATE & PLACE: July 1972 OCCUPATION: Clara was raised with her siblings on a farm near Chesterfield. She was widely known in Alton. She loved to fish and spend time with her family and always had a Pepsi in her hand. **MEMBERSHIP:** VISITATION: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday January 13, 2010 At Alexander & Gubser Funeral Home in Jerseyville FUNERAL: 1:00 p.m. Wednesday January 13, 2010 At Alexander & Gubser Funeral Home in Jerseyville **OFFICATING:** Rev. Jon Lorch **BURIAL:** Oak Grove Cemetery in Jerseyville MEMORIALS: In Lieu of Flowers, Memorials to The Family **SURVIVORS** 2 DAUGHTERS: Mary (Balcom) Austin and her companion Joe Steele of Alton; Freda (Balcom) Jones Horton of Sentinel, OK; 2 SONS: Lloyd Balcom of Sentinel, OK; Harry Balcom, Jr. of Bethalto 1 DAUGHTER-IN-LAW: Shirley Jean Balcom Van Meter of White Hall 1 BROTHER: Robert Adams of Hardin 1 SISTER AND BROTHER-IN-LAW: Georgia and Samuel Abbott of Carrollton **15 GRANDCHILDREN 28 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN** 

## 4 GREAT-GREAT GRANDCHILDREN

PRECEDED IN DEATH BY: Parents, Husbands, two daughters; Myrtle (Balcom) Fish and Dorothy Georgetta Balcom and a son; Bill Balcom, her stepfather, William Burnett; three sisters and brothers-in-law, Rose Marie Adams and Hazel and William Abbott and Mildred and Raymond Kraushaar; and three brothers, William, Willis "Junior" and Harry "Bud" Adams, and a daughter-in-law and four son-in-laws, Wanda Balcom; Bob Horton and Ron Jones and Benny Fish and Everett Austin, Jr. and infant great-grandson Charles Rudd Austin

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