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## Obituaries

### Mary E. Burford, 92

Mary Ellen Burford, 92, of Kansas City, formerly of Otterville, died Wednesday, December 11, 1996 at Blue River Care Center in KC, MO. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 14, at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Farrie Cole officiating. Pallbearers will be Mark Burford, Scott Burford, Stan Burford, E. H. Fowler, Charles Cline, Harold Borchert, and Thomas Nichols. Burial will be in I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Otterville. The family will receive friends from 7-8:30 p.m. on Friday, December 13 at Meisenheimer F.H. in Otterville. Friends may call the funeral home after 2 p.m. on Friday, December 13.

She was born September 12, 1904 in Clarksburg, MO the daughter of Norman J. and Bessie Gertrude Leach Busch. She married Wade Leslie Burford who preceded her in death in 1993. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Otterville. She graduated from Otterville High School with honors. She attended Central MO State University and graduated in 1953. She was also a member of the RHO Chapter, Kappa Delta Phi and the National Honor Society. She taught Junior High School in Otterville for many years, served as president of Otterville in 1972-1973. She was an avid gardener and informed bird watcher.

Survivors include two sons, Marvin Burford of Portland, OR, Merrill Burford of Kansas City; one sister, Norma Busch of Raytown, MO; four grandchildren, and 9 great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband and one sister, Helen Graves.

Memorials are suggested to the Otterville Garden Club or First Baptist Church of Otterville.

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