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Izola E. Hays Jones, 94

Izola Elizabeth Hays Jones, 94, passed away at her home on Thursday morning, September 9, 2004.

Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Newkirk Cemetery near Fortuna, Mo., with memorial services to follow at 1:30 p.m. at First Christian Church in Boonville with Rev. Dan Crum officiating.

Visitation will be, Monday evening, September 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Davis Funeral Chapel. Friends may call from noon until time of the service.

Izola Elizabeth Hays Jones was born in Morgan County, Mo., December 26, 1909, the daughter of Thomas A. Hays and Ada Elizabeth Lehman Hays. Izola graduated from Versailles High School in 1927; William Woods College in Fulton in 1929; and from Central Missouri Teachers' College in Warrensburg in 1931. She began her 34 year teaching career in Versailles. She married Ray Lake in 1934 and in 1957 she married Dr. M. A. Jones. He preceded her in death in 1972. Izola taught countless sixth graders in the Boonville School System for twenty~six years until she retired in 1972. She was a very active member of the First Christian Church in Boonville until her death. Her calling in the later years was to help others, especially the elderly. She played the piano regularly at the nursing homes in Boonville. She was known as a master pie-maker; she also enjoyed gardening, giving away bushels of produce over the years.

Besides her husband she was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, one of whom died in infancy.

Izola is survived by her beloved dog, Casey, her daughter, Joyce E. Lake of Boonville and a niece, Connee Hays of Kansas City, Kan. She is also survived by many Hays and Lehman cousins.

In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to The First Christian Church, the Central Missouri Humane Society, Columbia or the Boonville Humane Society in care of the Davis Funeral Chapel.

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