

Rebekah Bailey, 97

The mother of two Wells County residents, Rebekah Snyder Bailey, 97, Portland, died Monday, March 26, 2007 at AmeriCare Living Center in Portland.

Born in Lynn on Sept. 7, 1909 to Ora J. and Myra B. Snyder Snyder, she married Ora Henry Bailey on Oct. 10, 1931; he died Aug. 30, 2002.

She was a member of the Southside Church in Portland, and had worked at Jay Garment Corp, Balstran and Jay County Retirement Center.

Survivors include five sons, Jerry M. (Darlene) Bailey of Bluffton, Daryl Bailey of Juneau, Wisc., Fredric Bailey of Portland, Thurl Bailey of Union City, and Jim Bailey of Urbana, Ill.; four daughters, Virginia (George) Gamsby of Ossian, Vera Joan Newcomb of Urbana, Ill., Diana Centofanti of Berlin Center, Ohio, and Carolyn Bailey of Fort Wayne; 21 grandchildren; 43 great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren.

Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of Williamson & Spencer Funeral Home. Calling hours are Friday from 3 to 7 p.m.

Burial will be in the Salamonie Cemetery in Salamonia. Preberred memorials are to the Southside Church in Portland or Habitat for Humanity.

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Services for Rebekah Snyder Bailey, 97, 1788 East 400 South, Portland, will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home with Flint Redwine officiating. She died Monday at AmeriCare Living Center of Portland. Born on Sept. 7, 1909, in Lynn, to Ora J. and Myra B. (Snyder) Snyder, she graduated from Spartanburg High School (east of Lynn) with the class of 1927. She was married on Oct. 10, 1931, to Ora Henry Bailey, who died on Aug. 30, 2002. A member of the Southside Church of Christ in Portland, she had worked at The Jay Garment Company, Ballastran Corp., and the Jay County Retirement Center.

Survivors include five sons, Daryl E. Bailey, Juneau, Wis., Fredric L. Bailey, Portland, Thurl D. Bailey, Union City, Jerry M. Bailey, Bluffton, and Jim J. Bailey, Fort Wayne; four daughters, Vera Joan Newmann, Urbana, Ill., Mrs. George (Virginia R.) Gamsby, Ossian, Mrs. Achille (Diana L.) Centofanti, Berlin Center, Ohio, and Carolyn S. Bailey, Fort Wayne; 21 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

Visitation is Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Salamonie Cemetery in Salamonia. Memorials may be sent to the Southside Church of Christ in Portland or Habitat for Humanity. Online condolences may be sent to www.williamsonspencer.com.

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