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Mary Ashcraft Gibson of Hamilton passed away February 17, 2009 in Ft. Hamilton Hospital at the age of 87

She was born October 14, 1921, in Boonesborough, Kentucky, to John William and Bertha Powell Ashcraft. On July 27, 1940, she married the love of her life, Eugene "Hoot" Gibson, Jr., and they enjoyed 44 years of devotion to each other until his death on November 23, 1984. To this union five children were born: Janet (Ronnie) Johnson, Sue Heins, Myrna Gibson, Rita (Robert) LaBoffe and Scott (Linda) Gibson, all of Hamilton. Mary was very proud of her five generation family. In addition to her children Mary leaves four grandsons Kenneth Newton of Camden, Ohio, Ronald W. (Brenda) Jarrett, Joey and Sam Gibson of Hamilton and special grandchildren Bryon and Hannah. She leaves two great-grandchildren, Justin (Jodi) Newton and Sarah (Brandon) Wills of Camden. Mary's fifth generation survivors are Faylynn, Kyla and Chase Wills and Kaydee and Gunner Newton of Camden. There are also many nieces and nephews to mourn her passing. In addition to her husband, Mary was preceded in death by her grandson, Gregory Eugene Newton in 1972, and sonin-law, Dick Heins, in 1991; also four brothers, Herman, Cecil, Herbert and Lemiel Ashcraft; and four sisters, Hazel Ashcraft, Bessie Hale, Sylvia Jones and Goldie Hubek predeceased her. Mary was loved by many, and many children and adults called her "Memaw." She will be sorely missed. Funeral services will be held at Webb Noonan Funeral Home, Ross Avenue at South "D" Street, Hamilton, at 12noon on Saturday, February 21, 2009, with Vern Hartman officiating. Interment will follow at Rose Hill Burial Park. Family and friends will be received prior to the service from 10-12 at the funeral home on Saturday. The family suggests memorial contributions to Animal Adoption Foundation, 2480 Millville-Ross Road, Hamilton, OH 45013 or St. Jude, ATTN: Tribute Dept., 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.