



Lucile Gray Smith

September 23, 1912 - November 13, 2004

Madison, Wisconsin

Visitation: Open after 10:00 A.M. with the family present between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. November 17, 2004 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Funeral Service: 10:30 A.M. November 18, 2004 at Hedrick/Martinsburg United Methodist Church in Hedrick, Iowa.

Interment: Mt. Zion Cemetery near Martinsburg.

Lucile Gray Smith, age 92, of Madison, Wisconsin and formerly of Hedrick left this world peacefully on Saturday, November 13th, at the Don and Marilyn Anderson Hospice Care Center surrounded by the love of her family. She was born on September 23rd, 1912, to Minnie Blanche Harmon Gray and William B. Gray in Unionville, Missouri. Her mother died when Lucile was very young and she was raised by her maternal aunt, Beulah Talmadge Gray ("Aunt Boo"). Lucile met Dallas Vale Smith ("Smitty") when they were students at

Iowa Wesleyan College and they were married on July 12th, 1936. Shortly after Smitty returned from the European theatre in World War II., they moved to Hedrick, Iowa, Smitty's hometown. Smitty died on June 24th, 1984. Lucile continued to live in Hedrick until moving to the Waunakee Retirement Center in 1997 to be nearer to her daughter. Lucile taught school for many years. She particularly enjoyed her last assignment before she retired in 1976, teaching first graders at Hedrick Consolidated Schools. She traveled extensively throughout the United States and Europe, first with Smitty and after his death, with many friends.

While she was sad to leave her many friends in Hedrick, she soon made many new friends in Waunakee.

Lucile is survived by her daughter Kathleen Irwin, son-in-law David Irwin and grandson Patrick Irwin all of Madison. She and Smitty raised Lucile's halfsister Joann White, who survives along with her husband Forrest and their children James and Marianne of Iowa as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1984, and her maternal aunt, Beulah Talmade Gray.

Lucile was a member of the Hedrick-Martinsburg United Methodist Church, 50 year member of the Order of Eastern Star, Hedrick Past Matron, 50-year member of the Hedrick American Legion Auxiliary, National Retired Teachers

Association, 16 years on the Hedrick Housing Board, and a member of the Hedrick Garden Club.

Memorials may be made in her name to the Hedrick-Martinsburg United Methodist Church.