



Ethel E Shipman

September 13, 1921 - July 18, 2016

Ethel E. Shipman, 94 of Bourbonnais passed away July 18, 2016 at Miller Healthcare Center. She was born September 13, 1921 in Shelby Co., KY to Glenn and Martha Francis (Reed) Howerton.

Ethel proudly served our country in the Army during World War II from 1944 to 1946. She served as a surgical nurse in France and Germany and received the European, African, Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Medal with 2 Bronze Stars. She was present as a nurse on the battlefield during the Battle of the Bulge.

She married Alva Shipman in Toledo, Ohio on July 28, 1962. They were married for 47 years until Alva died on December 31, 2009. Ethel was a Registered Nurse for 32 years and worked at the Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee, Illinois as a surgical nurse until her retirement in 1968.

Ethel had no children of her own, but gained a large family through her husband Alva. She is survived by a step daughter and son-in-law; Linda Shipp (Frank Downs) of Kokomo, IN, and 2 step sons and daughters-in-law; James Shipman (Laurie) of San Jose, CA and Terry Shipman (Carol Ann) of Flossmoor, IL. She also had 9 Grandchildren – Joe Berg Jr., Galen Shipp, Daryla Graham, Jeff Habel, Lauren Carpenter, Ryan Shipman, Andrea Shipman, Ian Shipman and Kael Shipman. She is also survived by 6 Great Grandchildren, and 4 Great Great Grandchildren.

Ethel was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her brother; James Howerton and 2 stepsons: Daryl Habel and Dennis Shipman.

The visitation will be Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Schreffler Funeral Home, Bourbonnais Chapel. Graveside services will be held Monday, July 25, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Greenlawn Cemetery in Delta, Ohio. Schreffler Funeral Home and its staff are honored to serve the Shipman family. Please sign her online guestbook at schrefflerfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Cemetery

Delta, OH 60449

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **24.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Bourbonnais Chapel
1100 N. Convent St.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-2421

Graveside Service

JUL **25.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Greenlawn Cemetery
Delta, OH 60449

Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel E Shipman*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Our condolences to the family. She is with her best friend, Al, now.
From the Roy Bowling family*

Roy and Joanne Bowling - July 25, 2016 at 03:38 PM



“ *I was with the honor guard at her funeral today. I read about her life and service; it was, indeed, an honor to be there for her. My own mother was a WAC in the signal corp during WW2 and worked for George Marshall. I'm the guy that played taps for Ethel today. I use a real trumpet...not a recording. The bell on the horn is one piece solid silver...not just plated. I always feel that our loved ones deserve no less. I feel blessed to be able to do this for her today. She did so much for others in difficult times. God's speed.
- Art Bradford*

Art Bradford - July 25, 2016 at 03:14 PM



“ *Ethel was friends with my mother at Butterfield. I enjoyed visiting with her. She was always kind to my mother. She will be missed at Butterfield.*

Daughter of Jessie Pittman-Glenda Schuetz

Glenda Schuetz - July 24, 2016 at 01:15 PM

JK

“ I am sorry that my favorite LT has passed. I wish her God's Speed as we say in the Army. Jack Kotter, Brig Gen USA (Ret).

JACK KOTTER - July 23, 2016 at 06:15 PM

PF

“ My deep condolences to the family on the passing away of your loved one. true comfort comes in knowing that death does not come from God. For He (God), promises to do away with death forever.(Heb 2:14; Isaiah 25:8)

pfl - July 23, 2016 at 05:34 PM

LB

“ It was a joy to see Mrs. Shipman and talk to her whenever we went to Butterfield Assisted Living to visit my father-in-law. She always had a smile to share. Our deepest sympathy at your loss. Hugs and tears, Linda Bohlmann

Linda Bohlmann - July 21, 2016 at 10:48 AM

EB

“ Please accept my sincere condolences. Ethel was an old army friend.
Ethel L Bondy

Ethel L Bondy - July 20, 2016 at 06:16 PM

DR

“ *Mrs. Shipman will be dearly missed. I enjoyed her many stories about her army and surgical nursing career. It was my great pleasure to assist and care for her. My deepest sympathy to her family and friends.*



Deborah Regnier CNA/CPT

Deborah Regnier - July 20, 2016 at 04:27 AM

JB

“ *Mrs Shipman was a real sweetheart, always enjoyed talking to her & Al during the many years I was their mailman.*

Jerry the Mailman

jerry bjick - July 19, 2016 at 03:21 PM