



## Obituary

**Born:** Friday, September 3, 1920

**Died:** Tuesday, December 21, 2010

Mildred Gardner, a 90 year old resident of Cape Coral, FL, passed away at 12:50 a.m. on Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at the Hospice House of Fort Myers, FL.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 2010 at the Whitaker-Eads Funeral Home of Trenton, MO. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Maple Grove Cemetery of Trenton.

Mrs. Gardner was born on September 3, 1920 the daughter of Ed and Emma Tharp Grimes. She was married to Willie Gardner on September 25, 1937 in Chillicothe, MO, he preceded her in death on August 22, 1991. She spent the early years of her married life raising 12 children, 10 girls and 2 boys. She was a homemaker and wife and helped her husband on the farm. Later she worked for the hospital in Shenandoah, IA. After retiring the couple moved to Roswell, NM where they lived for 10 years, then in 1993 they moved to Salem, OR where they resided for 12 years. After Willie's death, she moved to Cape Coral, FL to live with her daughter. She enjoyed going on cruises and traveling to visit her other children and many grandchildren. Her favorite places were the Cayman Islands and Haiti.

Mrs. Gardner is survived by 9 daughters, Linda Cabella of Cape Coral, FL; Evelyn Harrill of Cape Coral, FL; Mary Guerin of Ocala, FL; Emma Riley of Essex, IA; Lavena Smith of Gallatin, MO; Tressie Houston of Plainville, KS; Frances Gentry of Gallatin, MO; Doris Johnson of Tarkio, MO; and Vickie McMorran of North Liberty, IA; 2 sons, Bill Gardner of Omaha, NE and Larry Gardner of Salem, VA; 37 grandchildren and 76 great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Lorene Rasmussen; and 2 sisters, Colleen Christensen and Frances Rogers.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society or the Hope Hospice, these can be left at or mailed to Whitaker-Eads Funeral Home, 813 Custer, Trenton, MO 64683

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## Service Summary

### Visitation

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, Tue Dec 28, 2010

Location: - *Not available* -

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### Funeral Service

2:00 PM Tue Dec 28, 2010

Location: - *Not available* -