



## Dr. Hazel D. Franks

September 29, 2011

Dr. Hazel D. (Craycraft) Franks, age 90 of Upper Sandusky died at the Wyandot Memorial Hospital at 6:11 p.m. on Thursday Sept. 29, 2011. She was born Feb. 14, 1921 in Grayson, KY to Charles H. Craycraft and Rose B. (Parsons) Craycraft. She married Richard Franks on Oct. 25, 1953 and he preceded her in death on Aug. 30, 1982. Mrs. Franks was also preceded in death by her parents and brother Eugene S. Craycraft.

Hazel was a 50 plus member of the John Stewart United Methodist Church where she held many offices. Mrs. Franks was a member of the Grace Davis Myrta Moody's Women's Society. She served on the District committees and Conference associations with the United Methodist Church.

Often referred to as a pathfinder for women, Hazel became involved in the family farming and trucking business as a teenager. She and her brother became co-owners of Craycraft Trucking in 1936. She purchased sole interest in the company in 1972 and continued its expansion until she retired as President from Craycraft. Her distinguished career has taken her from farm work in her youth to CEO of Craycraft Trucking to Board of Directors at Commercial Savings Bank. Hazel served on the Board of Trustees at Tiffin University where she received an honorary doctorate degree and was a member of the Tiffin University Founders and President's Club. In 1991 Craycraft Hall was dedicated and in 1994 Franks Hall was dedicated at Tiffin

University. Dr. Franks was a special part of Tiffin University family.

She was member of the Wyandot County Ladies of the Shrine where she held many offices and belonged to the Alpha Chapter Tri-Sigma Sorority, Upper Sandusky. Many will remember Mrs. Franks was a philanthropist and a great believer in youth.

A funeral service will be held Monday Oct. 3, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in John Stewart United Methodist Church with Pastor Wayne Geissinger officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. There will be a luncheon held immediately after the burial at John Stewart United Methodist Franks Family Life Center. Visitation will be held on Sunday Oct. 2, 2011 from 1-4 p.m. in BRINGMAN CLARK Funeral Home and Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at John Stewart United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to John Stewart United Methodist Church or the Tiffin University in care of BRINGMAN CLARK Funeral Home 226 E. Wyandot Ave. Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Visit [BringmanClark.com](http://BringmanClark.com) to view the Life Tribute DVD, extend a condolence or share a memory.

<http://videos.lifetributes.com/250267>

# Tribute Wall



“ Hazel was always quick to make me feel at home and part of the local community when I moved here in 2001 to work at the bank. She was interesting to talk to and I enjoyed our times together. She was a kind and generous lady. I am sad that I did not get to attend the services as I was away for a college reunion/homecoming and the Chief/Union did not have details on the arrangements in their electronic media. She will be truly missed.##imported-begin##John C Haller##imported-end##

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October 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My husband John and I were privileged to spend an evening with Hazel at her home several years ago. She was such a grand and gracious lady who was a role model for the young women of today. We will miss seeing her out and about.##imported-begin##Vicky Clinger##imported-end##

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October 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Hazel was a true inspiration to all who knew her. I will sorely miss her as a Trustee of Tiffin University. Our thoughts & prayers go out to her family & loved ones. May God alway Bless You##imported-begin##Dr. David Hayes##imported-end##

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October 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I had many talks with Hazel, mostly at her home. She was eager to talk about her and her husbands life. As well as the church and her love for it. She will be missed by many. OUR SORROW, HEAVENS JOY! Tim###imported-begin##Tim Harr###imported-end##

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October 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Hazel was my aunt, whom I talked with every week. She was a wonderful person despite hardships in her life always got better instead of bitter. Always upbeat, never complained, a major giver and a truly great Christian.

*I will miss our weekly talks and remember often of the life messages that I learned from her.*

*She is happy and in heaven with her family, who comes from a long line believers.*

*We will all miss Hazel. We won't forget what she did for all of here. The world need more people like Hazel Franks.###imported-begin##Mark Dicke###imported-end##*

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October 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ In this world--you will never meet another as this wonderful woman...she has blessed so many and she was a friend to all. Hazel will be missed. Heaven has an angel now and her name is Hazel..love you my friend and I cherish the times we had together.

*God is smiling as you are now home...*

*Becky Johnson Blocksom###imported-begin##Becky Johnson Blocksom###imported-end##*

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October 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our family holidays and get-togethers will not be the same without you Hazel. Now you will be celebrating with your Heavenly family. God bless you.##imported-begin##Mary Nucifera##imported-end##*

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