



## Grace "Skippy" Opper

March 27, 2008

Grace J. ("Skippy") Opper, 78 of Wharton, OH went home to be with her Lord Jesus Christ on March, 27, 2008 at Blanchard Valley Hospital in Findlay at 8:01 p.m. She was born May 19, 1929 in Berwick, OH to the late John L. Long and Pearl C. Wehrle Long Wisner and step father G. Levaun Wisner.

On March 7, 1948, she married her sweetheart Jack D. Opper at the Wharton First Church of God parsonage and he survives in Wharton. They had recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Surviving are her four daughters, Terri L. Opper of Marion, Dixie O. (Charles) Risser of McCutchenville, Kimberly A. (David) Passet and Stacy S. (Billy Jr.) Rickle both of Wharton, a sister-in-law Bonnie (Long) Jacobs of Wharton.

Skippy was a wonderful loving grandmother to 12 grandchildren Sharis (Tracy) McDannell, Gabriel Passet, Kristianne (Josh) Thiel, Leah Passet, Angie Efaw, Gillian (Don) Houdeshell, Charles Risser III, Douglas, Arielle, Dustin, Dana, Aleina Rickle, and to 8 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her brother Carl C. Long and an only son Jack Duane Opper.

Skippy graduated from the Wharton School in 1947. She was a homemaker, former Girl Scout Leader, Riverdale Music booster, Wharton Park Board Member, A Gideon, Democratic Board of Elections and long time member of

the Wharton First Church of God where she held the office of Sunday School treasure for many years and the Ladies WCSC where she held several offices.

A funeral service will be held at the Wharton First Church of God in Wharton, OH on Monday March 31, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Joe Carney officiating. Friends may call at the CLARK SHIELDS Funeral Home in Forest on Sunday March 30, 2008 from 1-6p.m. and one hour prior to the funeral service at the church. Burial will be in the Wharton Richland Union Cemetery, Wharton, OH. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wyandot County Home Health in care of CLARK SHIELDS Funeral Home 301 S.Patterson St. Forest, OH 45843. Visit [www.shieldsfh.com](http://www.shieldsfh.com) to send a condolence and view the life tribute video.

'<http://videos.lifetributes.com?redirect=1&id=14698>'

# Tribute Wall



“ Just wanted to express my sympathy for the loss of Aunt Skippy. I will always think of her as that. She has left all of us many good memories and made lots of people smile. She will be greatly missed, deepest sympathy to all of you!##imported-begin##Rex & Ginger Kelley##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Opper Family,  
Karen and I will always remember Skippy for her cheerful, positive attitude. She had a zest for life. Cherish all the wonderful memories you have of her.##imported-begin##Karen and John Roettger, West Liberty##imported-end##

April 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jack and Family, I'm sorry to read of your loss. Skippy was a great person to be around. We always had lots of good times at Aunt Mary Kears home. I know she will be truly missed. You are all in my thoughts at this difficult time. Sue Kear Dielman, Granville, Ohio##imported-begin##Sue Kear Dielman##imported-end##

April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dixie & Family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom. I know what a close family you had and I'm sure she will be greatly missed. Please know that you are in our prayers and know that you are surrounded by love.##imported-begin##Malinda & Cliff Johns##imported-end##

March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jack and family, On behalf of our entire family we extend our deepest sympathy in your loss of Skippy. Mom and Dad often told stories of how all of you worked together on different projects at the park and at the church. She shall be greatly missed the Phelps family.##imported-begin##Connie Peterman##imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Terri, Jack, Dixie, Kim, Stacy, I'm sorry for your loss. I hadn't seen her for a couple of years now, but will always remember her especially from our high school years, Terri. She was a unique and special lady and I know we'll all miss her, but I'm glad for her she's completed her journey. Bonnie##imported-begin##Bonnie Miller##imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Skippy always had a friendly smile and warm words for everyone. Know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Just remember that she will always be with you as a guardian angel, there will always be signs of her in your daily routine.##imported-begin##Beth (Eatherton)Gabriel##imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry we can't be with you at this time. We will treasure many happy memories. God bless your family. Mary & Dave Jesse##imported-begin##Mary & Dave Jesse##imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Terri and family,  
Skippy was so fun to be around when we were in high school. She laughed at us when we did crazy things together.  
You will miss her. Keep the memories of her in your heart. Watch for signs from her. She will still be with you.  
Love,  
Jacki###imported-begin###Jacki and Al Blackburn###imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Hello!  
I was informed of her death by my Step-Dad, Bob Thomas. My Mom was Anna Fox. I remember speaking with your family at the Salem Festivals. I am sorry to hear of Skippy's passing. We all had many years of good times!  
Love,  
Joyce###imported-begin###Joyce Goedicke###imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jack & family,  
We are very sorry for your loss. We know you all are going to miss her greatly. Skippy always had a warm and beautiful smile for us, a true expression of Christian love. We thank God for the priviledge of knowing her. You all are in our prayers. Melvin & Joanne Summy###imported-begin###Pastor Melvin & Joanne Summy###imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Uncle Jack, Aunts Terri, Dixie, Kim and Stacy,

*I wanted to send you my condolences and love. I regret that I had to be so far away from home that I could not get back in time. By and far, Aunt Skippy was my favorite aunt. I can remember coming to her home on numerous occasions when Mom was at work and Nan was in the hospital. She always had a warm smile and infectious laughter. Everyone around her couldn't help but be happy when she was around. I missed her when I was in North Dakota and even moreso now.*

Love,

*K.J.##imported-begin##K.J. Temple##imported-end##*

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March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Jack, Terri, Dixie, Kim, & Stacy,

*Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family for all of these years. I enjoyed my visits to Wharton to visit you all. And Jack, especially my visits as I was on my way to camp and you would make the best creamed potatoes and new peas out of your garden. Memories I will never forget. You will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days to come. Skippy was a very special lady and will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathy to all of you.*

Love to you all,

*Donna##imported-begin##Donna May##imported-end##*

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March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Stacy and family,

*Just wanted to say how sorry we are for your loss.*

*Chris & Paul Hemmerly*

*Ashlee & Sceth Conley*##imported-begin##*Chris Hemmerly*##imported-end##

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March 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ To Jack and the family, You have my deepest sympathy in your loss of Skippy. I think of her as being a very sincere person and one who did a lot of good things in my old home town of Wharton. God bless you Jack and your family. Sincerely, Karleen Kelley Bonita Springs, FL.##imported-begin##*Karleen(Bristol)Kelley*##imported-end##

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March 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM