



## Leah Jane Hougendobler

June 11, 1918 - January 9, 2016

Leah Jane Hougendobler, age 97 of Forest, died at Fox Run Manor on Saturday January 9, 2016 at 3:48 a.m. She was born on June 11, 1918 in Marseilles, OH to Earl and Emma (Ulrich) Parsell. She married Raymond E. Hougendobler, Sr. on June 11, 1939 and he preceded her in death on July 27, 1998

Mrs. Hougendobler is survived by a son Raymond Jr. (Wanda Springer) of Fremont, two daughters Barbara (Thomas) Martin of Albany, GA, and Ruth Ann (Billy) Price of Wharton, seven grandchildren Leslie Laconis and Ryan Hougendobler, Timothy Martin and Christina (Kreg) Sheets, Jeffrey (Linda) Price, Chad (Raquel) Price, and Mark (Nicole) Price, and twelve great grandchildren Melissa Laconis, Matthew and Nicholas Martin, Logan, Nate, and Abbie Sheets, Leanne and Richard Price, Wyatt and Waylon Price, and Treg and Faith Price. She was preceded in death by her parents, granddaughter Melissa Hougendobler and a sister Esther Harris.

Mrs. Hougendobler was a member of the Forest United Methodist Church and its Women's Society. She graduated from Marseilles High School in 1936. Leah Jane worked part time at The Style Shop and was a homemaker. The hobbies she enjoyed were quilting, crocheting and was an avid fan of the Ohio State Buckeyes, Cincinnati Reds, and Riverdale Falcons.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Clark Shields Funeral Home with Pastor Denny Livingston officiating. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Forest United Methodist Church, Bridge Hospice, Good Samaritan Society, or American Heart Association in care of Clark Shields Funeral Home, 301 S. Patterson St., Forest, OH 45843. Visit [www.shieldsfh.com](http://www.shieldsfh.com) to extend a condolence or share a memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Hueston

Forest, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Clark-Shields Funeral Home  
301 S.Patterson St.  
Forest, OH 45843  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bringman - Clark & Co Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leah Jane Hougendobler*



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**Bringman Clark & Shields Funeral Homes** - January 11, 2016 at 01:41 PM

KM

“ *I was honored to be Leah Jane's hairdresser these last few months. I can only hope that someday I have the same grateful merry heart like her. She was a joy I looked forward to every Wednesday morning. Rest easy. Good Lord willing, I'll see you again!*

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**kara montgomery** - January 13, 2016 at 05:55 PM

CM

“ *Oh when getting word of her passing I remembered when I visited her at Arlington last time! What a BEAUTIFUL lady with an exceptionally Big Heart! Will forever remember her! My sympathy goes out to all the family! I so wish i could tell you in person but am in Florida for winter! Thoughts to all of you knowing she will be missed! Carol Messenger*

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**Carol Messenger** - January 13, 2016 at 09:30 AM

CS

“ Leah Jane was my window to see the yesterdays of our family. You see she and her sister were Parsell girls living on the Parsell road in Jackson Tp. Wyandot Co., OH during the 19teens-1930’s. She was raised on her grandparents’ (Benjamin & Margaret Jane VanOrsdall Parsell) farm. (My gr.gr. grandparents) Her dad Earl Parsell being the youngest son/child and his wife Emma Ulrich Parsell also lived on the farm. Leah and her sister Esther spent many hours helping me identify faces in group photos taken by my grandfather Marion Parsell, Earl’s brother Simeon’s son. Her dad was the one who sold his camera to my grandfather because he and Emma were getting married and he wanted money to buy silverware. Those hours identifying faces on photos inspired family stories. They seem like only seconds, now. Leah Jane, OH WHAT A BLESSING!  
“When a Wonderful Life comes to an end, All the Earth seems to Weep with us. May you find Peace in the Beauty around you and Strength for the days to come.”  
Connie Parsell Salucci, Dave and Ryan

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Connie Salucci - January 12, 2016 at 11:32 AM

JR

“ To our family she was known as "Grandma Hougie". She always made our day brighter whenever we saw her. Heaven has her now.

*The Roettger family (John, Karen, Beth, Nancy)*

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John Roettger - January 12, 2016 at 09:16 AM

VS

“ As a tribute to Grandma let's mirror our lives as best we can to the way she lived her life!! Love, Wayne and Vera Sheets

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Vera Sheets - January 11, 2016 at 01:34 PM



“ 30 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Bringman Clark & Shields Funeral Homes** - January 11, 2016 at 01:31 PM

KJ

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Leah Jane was a wonderful woman and will be greatly missed by all.

*Ed and Kim James (Rickenbacher) and Family*

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**Kim James** - January 11, 2016 at 11:21 AM

RD

“ We are saddened to read of Leah's passing. With heartfelt sympathy and caring prayers for all of the families. Ron Dunbar and Family

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**Ronald Dunbar** - January 11, 2016 at 08:52 AM

CH

“ To Leah Jane's family,

*So sorry to hear of your mother's passing, she was a wonderful lady that I got to know the last 4 years. She is resting in peace now. God bless all of you.*

*Cheryl G.*

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**Cheryl** - January 11, 2016 at 05:05 AM

VS

*As a tribute to Grandma let's mirror our lives as close as we can to the way she lived hers!! We will miss this sweet lady and her smiles and hugs!! Wayne and Vera Sheets*

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**Vera Sheets** - January 11, 2016 at 11:10 AM

SS

*To Leah Jane's family,  
I am so saddened to hear of Leah Jane's passing. Thinking of her this morning and so many good memories come flooding back. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Sharon Hankins Sandercox*

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**Sharon Sandercox** - January 12, 2016 at 10:13 AM

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**Connie Salucci** - January 12, 2016 at 10:22 AM

DS

*Leah Jane was one sweet lady. I will always remember her smile and her graceful way. My sympathy to her family. Debbie Spearman*

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**Debbie Spearman** - January 14, 2016 at 07:41 PM