

## Obituary

Daisy Elizabeth Barrow Reese, was born in Belmont, Wisconsin, October 7, 1907, to James Barrow and Effie (Stockdale) Barrow, and passed away Thursday, November 4, 1999. She was 92 years of age. She grew up on a farm near Belmont. Her father came here from England. Her mother was a musician and church organist. Daisy enjoyed music as a child and continued that enjoyment until just a few weeks before she passed away. She played the piano by ear and could read music. She mostly played for her own pleasure, (and that of her family) but would play for Eastern Star or other functions when called upon to do so. On October 29, 1926, Daisy and Myron A. Reese were married in Galena, Illinois. After their marriage they resided on farms southeast of Farragut. Daisy always enjoyed the farm and always helped with the work (milking, haying, mowing, etc.) as she was growing up and continued after she was married.

Church was always a big part of her life and as a child attended Thursday evening prayer services where an uncle filled in as minister for prayer services or church services in the absence of the regular minister. She always attended church socials and participated in programs and church plays. Aunts and cousins were church musicians and Sunday School teachers. She was active in the United Methodist Church in Farragut, (for over 60 years) belonging to the WSCS and UMW. She was always willing to help with a dinner and some may remember dressing chickens at her house for some of those dinners. She was honored to receive the UMW mission recognition pin several years ago. Daisy graduated from high school in 1925 and attended her 50-year reunion in 1975 with all class members present. Daisy was a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star and served as an officer many times. She and Myron attended many state meetings and traveled to Dallas, Texas, for a meeting. They enjoyed the friendships they acquired through Eastern Star both at home and away. Wendell and Marguerite Teachout were special friends and they often attended distant meetings together along with Jaynie and Tede Lorimor.

Daisy enjoyed playing bridge and belonged to the Merry Matrons Bridge Club for many years until her health began to decline. She also belonged to other bridge groups and would drive many miles to be with her friends. Her special love and talent was the piano, but she also did many beautiful oil paintings. She had no formal training, just picked up a brush and went to work. She has left many of these for her family to continue to enjoy. She taught herself to sew and made many of her clothes and those of her daughter. She also enjoyed making doll clothes for her daughter and granddaughters. She made each great-granddaughter a doll. She had many talents, one of which was being a superb cook. She and Myron lived on a farm without any modern conveniences and she could make perfect angel food cakes in the oven of her wood burning stove. She loved to garden and filled the cellar with many varieties of canned goods.

Daisy was preceded in death by her husband Myron on September 25, 1995, a six month old daughter, Marceline Jean, her parents, a sister Mable Whitham, a brother, Robert Barrow and his wife Meta, and a nephew, Bob Barrow. She is survived by a daughter, Joan Hamilton and her husband Pete of Shenandoah, grandchildren, Sonia Michels and her husband Lou of Centreville, Virginia, Steve Hamilton and his wife Lee-Anne of Louisburg, Kansas, Sandra Crowdes and special friend Steve Harris of Shenandoah, Shelly Hamilton of Shenandoah, great-grandchildren, Ian and Evan Michels; Erica, Amanda, Crystal, Stephanie and Max Hamilton; Nathan and Zachary Crowdes, and numerous relatives and many friends.