## **OBITUARY**

Irene May Ogden-Dufford, 86, of Andover Township, passed away on Saturday, November 22, 2014, due to complications from a fall.

Born in Haskell on May 15, 1928, to the late Lewis Ogden Sr. and Myrtle Van Orden-Ogden, Ms. Dufford was the granddaughter of the late George Van Orden and Mary Riker-Van Orden of Sparta.

Ms. Dufford lived at Andover Sub Acute and Rehab Center II for the past eight years. It was during this time that she completed her GED at the age of 83. She was an artist, writer and an avid reader. Retired from school bus driving after 47 years, she was also employed by <u>SCARC</u> for 25 years and was Employee of the Year in 1983. Ms. Dufford did private duty care as well and was employed at numerous odd jobs since the age of 10.

She was a president and past president of the former <u>VFW</u> Auxiliary 9237 in Hardyston and was also the resident council president of Andover Sub Acute and Rehab Center II.

The widow of the late Sergeant Joseph N. Dufford of Hackettstown and the beloved mother of the late Jerry W. Dufford, Ms. Dufford was also predeceased by a sister, Lois June Ogden-Lindsley. She is survived by her daughter, Nancy Farber and her companion, David Gorcica, of Stillwater; nine grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; three half-brothers; six half-sisters; many nieces and nephews; and many friends at Andover Sub Acute and Rehab Center.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m., at the Smith-McCracken Funeral Home, 63 High St., Newton. Interment will follow in Milton Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m., at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to <u>SCARC</u>, 11 U.S. Route 206, Suite 100, Augusta, NJ 07822 or a <u>charity of choice</u>.

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