



## Mrs. Reva Ernestine Thompson Lorick

December 12, 1917 - January 1, 2017

Reva Ernestine Thompson Lorick, 99, of DeWitt entered into eternal peace on January 1, 2017. She was born in the community of Steprock in White County, Arkansas on December 12, 1917, to Ruben Bennett and Ella Hartsell Thompson.

She graduated from Plainview High School in White County. She attended Lyon College in Batesville, where she was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa sorority, and graduated from State Teachers College, now UCA, in Conway. Not afraid to try anything once, in 1945 she earned her pilots license at Central Flying Service in Little Rock.

She moved to DeWitt to accept a teaching position and to also coach girls basketball. She met Francis Edward Lorick of DeWitt and they were married 40 years. He preceded her in death in 1990.

In Reva's teaching career of 37 years in DeWitt and St. Charles, she touched the lives of many children.

She was a charter member of the DeWitt Country Club where she loved to play golf. She spent many summers teaching her much loved grandsons how to play the game.

She was a talented artist and painted beautiful portraits and paintings.

Reva was a faithful member of the DeWitt Church of Christ.

She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, The Brush and Pallet Guild, The Art Club, The DeWitt Garden Club, AEA, and ARTA. In her neighborhood she was known for her beautiful daffodils in the spring.

She is survived by her children Lee Lorick and wife Stephanie of Haughton, LA, Ruth Bennett and husband M.C. of Almyra, and John Lorick and wife Debbie of DeWitt. She is also survived by her grandsons, Heath Lorick of DeWitt, Vann Lorick and wife Liz of Houston, TX, Corbin Lorick and wife Jasmine of Jonesboro, and Jess Lorick of Shreveport, LA. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and daughter in law, Myrna DeBerry Lorick.

Reva was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and a friend to many.

Visitation will be 1:00 Wednesday, January 4 at Essex Funeral Home with funeral services beginning at 2:00. Burial will follow in Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens by Essex Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Church of Christ in DeWitt or donors choice. [www.essexfuneralhome.com](http://www.essexfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Thoughts and prayers for your family.*

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**Tiffany Rogers** - April 27, 2018 at 12:56 PM

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“ *You have my sympathy during this difficult time. Praying for strength!*

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**Linda Hopper Work** - April 27, 2018 at 12:56 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss. She was one terrific lady.*

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**Cheryl Johnson** - April 27, 2018 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Mrs Reva was my son's teacher many years ago in St. Charles .Ar. She was a sweet , loving , funny , caring . Teacher . My son loved her as we all did . Prayers for her family. They were so blessed to have this wonderful lady with them for so many years and we were blessed to have her as my son's teacher as so many other students were'. We are saddened by her death. .*

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**Arlene Bright** - April 27, 2018 at 12:56 PM