



Viola Crandall

August 23, 1920 - September 23, 2011

Viola Crandall, 91 of 490 South Main St. in Lanesboro passed away on Friday morning surrounded by her friends.

Viola was born on August 23, 1920 to William E. and Ida May Crandall. She was one of eight children all of whom are deceased. Viola leaves two nephews - Bruce Bailey and Ralph Bailey both of Lanesboro.

Viola resided for many years in Belchertown before joining the Berkshire County ARC family in 1986. She lived at Lakeway Drive in Pittsfield before moving to her current home. Viola also attended Southgate Day Program before retiring.

Viola was a special lady with twinkling blue eyes and a smile that endeared her to all. She shared her home with her friends Carol and Juliette and was referred to as "mama". Vi was happy and easily pleased but would often take great pleasure in snatching paper and tearing it up. This part of her personality was just as engaging as the sweet and content presence that was part of her day.

She was a fortunate lady who benefited from the many staff who loved and cared for her over the years. Viola had a special relationship with Tracyee Alexander who predeceased her.

To all the staff who have had the privilege of caring for and loving her, continue to carry her memory in your hearts and know that the opportunity to be a part of her life was as special as she was.

Funeral Services for Viola Crandall will be Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at

11 am at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Lanesborough followed by a reception at Viola's home. Calling hours at the funeral home will precede the service on Wednesday morning from 10 to 11 am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to BCARC, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in her memory.