

Opal M. Jones
October 2, 1912 – April 29, 2004
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HINTON — Opal M. Jones, Major U.S. Army Ret., age 91, went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday, April 29, 2004, in the VA Medical Center in Beckley, with her loving niece, Mary Ellen and her devoted nephew-in-law, David Honaker by her side.

Born in Summers County, Oct.



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6, 1912, she was the daughter of the late T.A. and Lula Jones.

Ms. Jones was working as an operating room nurse in New York City when Pearl Harbor was bombed on Dec. 7,

1941. Soon after she volunteered as a Army nurse in the European Theater. She served in Algiers Africa and in Italy and France during the Allied Invasions. She trained nurses in occupied Germany as chief nurse with a Mobile Army Surgical Hospital Unit.

She returned stateside and worked at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. She was reassigned to a M.A.S.H. unit and spent a 14-month tour in southern Korea. She retired as an operating room nurse from the Walter Reed Medical Center.

She was a Hinton High School graduate and a graduate of the Norwegian School of Nursing in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1935.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, Arthur Smith, Ernest, Wayne, Marshall and Carl Jones; a sister, Elizabeth J. Burk; and a devoted great nephew, David Michael Honaker.

Survivors include two sisters, Lorene J. Houchins of Hinton and Helen V. Coste of Lewisburg.

Service will be 2 p.m. today at Pivont Funeral Home Chapel in Hinton with Pastor Burl Hay officiating. Burial will follow in the Greenbrier Burial Park at Hinton. Friends may call from 1 to 2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Arrangements by Pivont Funeral Home, Hinton.