



Alta Payne

January 19, 1921 - November 26, 2011

Mrs. Alta Washer Fitts Payne, Age 90 of Alexandria, TN., died Saturday, November 26, 2011 at University Medical Center, Lebanon, TN. Mrs. Payne was born January 19, 1921 on Walkers Creek, the daughter of the late Haley Taylor and Grover Washer. Three Brothers and Three Sisters preceded her in death: John T. Washer, James W. Washer, William L. Washer, Frances Hunt, Christine Bragg and Elizabeth Christian. She was married to Ruby G. Fitts on March 7, 1936 and he preceded her in death on April 19, 1967. She later married Charles Payne on February 23, 1980 and he preceded her in death on November 13, 2003. A son, James T. Fitts preceded her in death on April 19, 1995. She worked many years at the Alexandria Shirt Company and retired from Hartmann Luggage Company. She was a member of West Main Baptist Church, Alexandria, TN. Mrs. Payne is survived by Six Children: Joe G. (Lucille) Fitts of Temperance Hall, TN.; Stephen (Jona) Fitts of Brush Creek, TN.; Mary Ray of Brush Creek, TN.; Patricia (Buddy) Bain of Alexandria, TN.; Brenda Wooden of Alexandria, TN and Barbara (Tommy) Ray of Gordonsville, TN. Daughter-in-Law, Gladys Fitts of Brush Creek, TN. 17 Grandchildren, 25 Great Grandchildren and 4 Great-Great Grandchildren. Sisters: Molly Nolen of Hickman, TN.; Dorothy (Willie) Bass of Mt. Juliet, TN and Marie (Billy) Hatcher of Mt. Juliet, TN. Sister-in-Law, Ruth Washer of Gordonsville, TN. Mrs. Payne's remains are at the Avant Funeral Home, Alexandria, TN where Services will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 1:00 P.M. with Bro. Ben Simpson, officiating. Interment will follow in New

Hope Cemetery, Alexandria, TN. The Payne family will receive friends at Avant Funeral Home on Monday from 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. and on Tuesday from 10:00 A.M. until service time at 1:00 P.M.