



Zelma Bates

November 15, 1935 - March 3, 2013

Mrs. Zelma Bates, age 77 of Gordonsville, TN passed away Sunday, March 3, 2013 at the Pavilion in Lebanon, TN. She was born November 15, 1935 in Carthage, TN the daughter of the late Willie Scurlock and Bessie Mae Gibbs. She married Billy Robert Bates on September 4, 1964 and he preceded her in death on May 29, 2001. She was also preceded in death by Two Children; William Mare Bates on June 28, 1963 and Susan Carol Bates on July 2, 1965, Four Siblings; Willie Mae Ferrell, Gene Scurlock, Perry Scurlock, and Estle Scurlock. She was Baptist in belief. Mrs. Bates is survived by Two Daughters; Connie Preston of Gordonsville, TN and Jeanette Watts of Gordonsville, TN. Three Grandchildren; Melanie (Eric) Mundy, Deanna Massey, and Jason Watts, Five Grandchildren; Austin Mundy, Grace Massey, Abby Mundy, Cole Massey, and Conner Massey, Five Siblings; Patricia Wilkerson, Thelma Orange, Mike Scurlock, Troy Scurlock, and Tony Scurlock. Graveside Services and Interment for Mrs. Bates are scheduled to be conducted 1 PM Monday, March 4, 2013 at Gordonsville Cemetery. Bishop Alvin Hitchcock will officiate. Visitation with the Bates family will be at the Gordonsville Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Monday after 12 Noon. The Bates family request that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the funeral account. BASS FUNERAL HOMES, GORDONSVILLE CHAPEL, DIRECTORS.