



## Gertrude Rakes

January 17, 2009

Gertrude Ada Rakes, of Danville, Virginia passed away peacefully at her home on Saturday, January 17, 2009. She was born in Danville, Virginia, the daughter of the late Everett Spencer and Maude Bowling Spencer. She had lived her life in Danville and had retired from Dan River Mills. She was a member of Schoolfield United Methodist Church. On January 10, 1942 she married Dewey Edward Rakes, who predeceased her on December 28, 1998. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by a son, Daniel Wesley Rakes, a sister, Joyce Spencer Ingram, and three brothers, Erie Spencer, Pelham Spencer and Vernon Spencer. She is survived by a daughter, Judy Rakes Elder, and husband Thomas Elder, of Chatham, VA, a daughter in-law, Kay Searce Rakes, of Greensboro, NC, a sister, Wilma Spencer Simpson, of Danville, VA, three grandchildren, Denise Rakes Porterfield, and husband David Porterfield, Daniel Wesley Rakes, Jr. and wife Stephanie Rakes, of Kernersville, NC, and John Everett Rakes, of Danville, VA; three great-grandchildren, Frances Claire Rakes, Katherine Elizabeth Rakes, and Addison Caroline Rakes, of Kernersville, NC. Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, January 19, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. from the Wrenn-Yeatts, Westover Chapel with the Reverend Mark Wimmer and the Reverend Thomas Elder officiating. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday from 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. and suggests that memorials may be made to the Hatcher Center, 7180 US Highway 29, Blairs, VA 24527. Wrenn-Yeatts, Westover Chapel is assisting

the Rakes family.