



Thelma Dodson

December 24, 1919 - May 16, 2009

Thelma Slayton Dodson, 89, of 419 Junior Dodson Drive died Saturday morning at her residence. She had been in declining health for the past 18 months. Mrs. Dodson was born December 24, 1919 in Pittsylvania County the daughter of Hugh Thomas Slayton and Harriett Hawker Slayton. She lived her entire life in the Kentuck community and enjoyed flowers, crocheting and canning produce from her garden. She dearly loved all her family and friends. Mrs. Dodson was a member of Kentuck Baptist Church for over 70 years and was secretary of the Fidelis Sunday school class for the last 40 years. On September 24, 1938 she was married to John C. Dodson, Jr., who survives. In addition to her husband of the residence, she is survived by three children, Nancy Dodson McDowell and husband, Warren of Ringgold, Joanne Dodson Cates of Raleigh, NC and John C. Dodson III of Fuquay Varina, NC; a sister, Elsie S. Richardson and husband, Troy of Danville; nine grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren and number of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Michael Neal; a brother H.T. Slayton, Jr. and two sisters, Louise S. Hamlett and Martha S. Compton. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. from the Kentuck Baptist Church by the Reverend Gerald Reeves. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service and at other times at the residence. Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Dodson family.