



Violet Lewis

October 23, 1924 - March 1, 2010

Violet Newton Lewis, 85, of 7605 Old Richmond Road, Danville, VA died Monday, March 1, 2010 at Danville Regional Medical Center. She had been in declining health since November of 2009 and in the hospital for the past two days. Mrs. Lewis was born in Caswell County, NC on October 23, 1924, a daughter of the late James Thomas Newton and the late Lelia Firesheets Matlock Newton. She was a graduate of Archibald Murphy High School and Ardmore Business School, in Ardmore, Oklahoma. She was a homemaker and a member of Kentuck Baptist Church, the Joy Sunday School Class and the W.M.U. at Kentuck Baptist Church. On March 26, 1948 she married Ben Barker Lewis, who died on October 1, 2004. Survivors include two daughters, Patricia L. Tanksley, and husband Reid, of Roxboro, NC; Kristie L. Ballard, and husband Gordon, of Danville, VA; a son, Jack K. Lewis, and wife Barbara, of Apex, NC; four grandchildren, Drew Tanksley and wife Shanna, Ben Lewis, Erin Ballard and Hannah Ballard; two sisters, Doris N. Watlington, of Reidsville, NC, and Eunice N. Smith, of Hampton, VA. She was predeceased by an infant son and a number of half brothers and sisters. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 4, 2010 at 2:00 P.M. from Kentuck Baptist Church with the Reverend Gerald Reeves officiating. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park. The family will receive friends Thursday, at the church, one hour prior to the service and at the residence on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 from 4:00 - 9:00 P.M. Also, they suggests that memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.