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Mrs. Alma Beecher

Alma Beecher, 96, died Thursday, Aug. 27, 2009 in the Pavilion.

Mrs. Beecher was born Oct. 23, 1912 in Appling County to the late William Lewis and Addie Carter. She was a member of Woodlawn Baptist Church. Alma was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister and aunt. Mrs. Beecher was preceded in death by her husband, Collis "Bay" Beecher and daughter, Zula Branch.

Mrs. Beecher is survived by four daughters and sons-in-law, Estelle McLain, Carolyn and Grady Branch, Merle Mason and Patsy and Buck Buchanan, all of Baxley; one son and daughter-in-law, Russell and JoAnn Beecher of Baxley; two sisters, Addie Belle Gunter of Augusta and Betty Jane Moore of Maryland; one brother, Wilton Carter of Baxley; a son-in-law, Bill Branch of Baxley; twelve grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, eight great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services for Mrs. Beecher were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30 from Woodlawn Baptist Church with the Revs. Mike Brown and Brad Park officiating. Interment followed in Omega Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Johnny McLain, Earl McLain, Lance McLain, Channing Branch, Ricky Beecher, Eddie Rentz, Damian Griffin and Mike Jones. Honorary escorts were all grandsons and granddaughters.

Woodlawn Baptist Church Choir rendered musical selections. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Swain Funeral Home.