

September 6, 2007

Annie Merle Purcell

Annie Merle Purcell, 100, died peacefully at her home on Sunday, September 2, 2007. She was the oldest living member of Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 77 years, Lannes Purcell; two sons, John and Jerry Purcell; three brothers: Roy, Oren, and Ellis Folsom; one sister, Clarice Folsom Purcell; and two sons-in-law, Estus Warren and Burton Scott. She was the last surviving child of the late James Madison Folsom and Julia DeLoach Folsom.

She is survived by daughters and sons-in-law: Debbie P. Warren of Baxley; Olivia P. Scott of Atlanta; Fay (Alex) Cantrell of Knoxville, Tennessee; Mary (Paul) Cooper of Birmingham, Alabama; and Martha (Thom) Maass of Acworth; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 12-noon Tuesday, September 4, at the Chapel of Brannen-Kennedy Funeral Home. A graveside farewell of silent prayers was held in Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Chuck Parke, Perry Parke, Matt Warren, Jimmy Warren, George Cash, and Julian Lightsey. Honorary pallbearers were Pat Patterson, Mike Folsom, Ennis Purcell, and Douglas Purcell.

Memorials can be made to Ebenezer Church Cemetery Fund, P. O. Box 452, Glennville, Georgia 30427, or Pearls of Life Hospice, 215 S. Duval Street, Claxton, Georgia 30417. Brannen-Kennedy Funeral Home of Glennville, Georgia, was in charge of the arrangements.