

## **Julia Gladys Batten Arnold**

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Julia Gladys Batten Arnold, 93, of Blackshear died Monday evening, February 4, 2008, at the Pierce County Nursing Home following an extended illness.

She was preceded in death by three husbands, Brooker Morgan, Claude Arnold, and Rommie Brown; her parents, George Washington Batten and Julia Maria Thrift; three daughters, Gladys O'Neil, Alice A. Sharpe and Julia Woodard and three brothers, Walter Batten, Otis Batten and Wilbur Batten.

She was a native of Ware County, but lived many years in South Florida before moving to Pierce County in 1985. She was a retired waitress from Howard Johnson's in Fort Lauderdale, FL. She was a member of Youmans Chapel Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Anise Almeida Smith, Woodward, OK; three sons Joseph W. Brown (wife Doris), Gainesville, FL, Ronald E. Brown (wife Nora), Blackshear, and James S. Brown, Memphis, TN; a daughter-in-law Barbara Brown, Benson, NC; 17 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, from the chapel of Smith Funeral Home. Interment followed in the Enon Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.smithfuneralhome.us](http://www.smithfuneralhome.us). Smith Funeral Home of Blackshear was in charge of arrangements.