

The Douglas News

Douglas
Stella Elizabeth Jeffries

Stella Elizabeth Paulk Jeffries, age 74, of Douglas, passed away on Friday, April 13 at the Hospice in Savannah.

Mrs. Jeffries, a native of Irwin County, was born Aug. 3, 1932. She was the daughter of the late Manassa (Nassie) and Christie Anne Hatfield Paulk and she was a graduate of South Georgia College. She was the widow of the late Claude Bert Jeffries.

She was a retired assistant vice president of the Bank of Ocilla and she was a member of the Satilla Baptist Church in Wray. A sister, Willie Dee Meeks preceded her in death.

Survivors include daughters Gaye Jeffries and (Todd) Cook of Bluffton, S.C. and Joye Jeffries (Mel) Pugh of Douglas; granddaughter Caitlyn Cook of Bluffton, S.C.; sisters Ira Mae Dix and Clydie Riles of Jacksonville, Fla., Gerry Robertson of Atlanta and Geneva Griffin of Perry; several nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Monday, April 16 at Satilla Baptist Church in Irwin County with Rev. William Pope officiating. Soloist/pianist Peggy Harper sang "Face To Face With Christ My Savior" and Jackie Clayton, pianist, provided soft music for the prelude and postlude.

Burial followed in the Satilla Church Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Todd Cook, Stanton Meeks, Carl Collins, Robbie Dix, Terrence Paulk, Bill Pritchard and Clarence Ross. Honorary pallbearers were: Personnel of the Ameris Bank of Ocilla, Jacob Paulk, Danny Coley, Glenn Lott and Larry Young.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in honor of Mrs. Jeffries may be made to the Satilla Baptist Church.

Sims Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The guestbook may be signed online at www.simsfuneralhome.org.