



Essie Benton

November 16, 2009

Conway-..Essie Mae Ward Benton, age 96, of Watershed Drive, wife of the late J.M. Benton, died Monday, November 16, 2009 at Conway Manor. Mrs. Benton was born in Bayboro, a daughter of the late Moody Ward and Addie Rabon Ward. She was a member of Conway Free Will Baptist Church. Mrs. Benton retired from A.V.X. She was predeceased by one daughter, Virginia Mae McDowell; one son, John Larry Benton; four sisters, Rosa Ray, Lula Turner, Frannie Goff, and Belle Mishoe; and two brothers, Owen Ward and Luther Ward. Mrs. Benton will be dearly missed by all. Surviving are two sons, Terry Dale Benton of Conway and Edward Sam Johnson of Bayboro; eleven grandchildren, Melissa Benton, Stacey Benton, Hayley Benton, John Benton, Lamar Benton, Mace Ray, James Marion Benton, Debra Johnson, Teresa Sulkowski, Daine Thompson, and Darlene Dawsey; and seventeen great-grandchildren and step-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM Thursday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel with the Rev. Paul Lambert officiating. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM Wednesday at the funeral home. Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ I have a lot of fond memories of Mrs. Benton, especially the Sunday dinners. She had a great deal of love in her heart for her children and grandchildren and was always there for them. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I know she will be missed but remember that her love will always be in your heart.##imported-begin##Jane August##imported-end##

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