

SYLVIA KALLUS MILLS

Mrs. Sylvia Kallus Mills, age 85, passed away Sunday, October 5, 2008 at her daughter's home in Richards. Mrs. Mills was born May 21, 1923 in Ellinger to Joseph and Anna Kallus one of seven children.

Mrs. Mills graduated high school as valedictorian of her 1940 class and chose to devote herself to marriage, children and family after marrying Jessie Dean Mills in 1942. Mrs. Mills and her husband Dean eventually made their home in the Houston area and successfully raised seven children. Mrs. Mills worked a number of years for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. In 1978 Mrs. Mills and her husband Dean moved to Richards. Mrs. Mills was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Richards.

Survivors include her children Floyce Whitley and husband Floyd, of Conroe, Larry Mills and wife Jean, of Richards, Annette Burnum and husband Ken, of Henderson, Peggy Evans of Richards, Dinah Kuenstler and husband Billy, of Tomball; son-in-law Bob Ivy, of Conroe; 14 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sister Leona Tylacka, of Wharton; brother-in-law Ben Mills and wife Doris, of Lovelady; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Jessie Dean Mills in 1988; children Ann Mills Ivy in 1974, and Gary Jay Mills in 1976.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Sylvia Kallus Mills were held Wednesday, October 8, at 10:00 a.m. in Huntsville Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Wiley Dorman of Ebenezer Baptist Church officiating. Interment followed in Antioch Cemetery in Lovelady.

Pallbearers were her six grandsons Mark Whitley, Paul Whitley, Tim Whitley, Phillip Whitley, James Whitley and Anthony Whitley.

Honorary Pallbearers were Roy Lee Walker, James "Red" Wells and Larry Wells.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Antioch Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 26, Lovelady, Tx. 75851.

Condolences can be made online at www.mem.com.

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