

## Esta Faye Pennington

Mrs. Esta Faye Pennington, age 85, of Crockett, passed away Wednesday, March 5, 2008 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. She was born January 2, 1923 in Pearsons Chapel, Houston County, Texas and was a lifetime resident of Crockett. She was a 1939 graduate of Crockett High School and attended Southwestern University. Mrs. Pennington married Clifford Pennington on January 16, 1944 at Wesley Methodist Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She joined the First United Methodist Church at eight years old and had served the church in many capacities that included organizing the Builders Sunday school class in 1947, teaching Sunday school classes in all age levels and also served as Sunday School Superintendant for many years. Mrs. Pennington was a member of the United Methodist Women serving as circle chairman and also as president. She worked as manager for Morrow Furniture Store in Crockett for many years. Mrs. Pennington married Richard Gentzel on November 25, 2001. She had served on many civic organizations including the Salvation Army, Crockett Cemetery Association and Spring Creek Country Club Association. Her hob-

bies included bridge, reading and cooking.

Survivors include her husband: Richard Gentzel of Crockett; children: Paula Emmert and husband, Don of Kingwood and Ric Pennington of Crockett; grandchildren: Stacy Johnson and husband, Derek of Austin, Haley Wiley and husband, Garrett of Kingwood, Karon Emmert of Dallas, Daniel Pennington of Plano and Leslie Walston and husband, Jeff of The Woodlands; great-grandchildren: Layne, Kaley, Emily, Ethan, Eric, Evan, Isaac, Ian and Ellise; brother: Terry Morrow and wife, Diana of Lufkin; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She is preceded in death by husband, Clifford Pennington; parents, Glover and Thelma Morrow and grandsons, Trae Pennington and David Hutchinson.

Funeral services for Mrs. Esta Faye Pennington were held Saturday, March 8, 2008, at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Crockett with Dr. Jerry House officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the John Wooters Crockett Public Library, 708 E. Goliad, Crockett, Texas 75835.