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## Resident Of Houston County Celebrates 106th Birthday

By Penny Webb

Mrs. Carrie Lee Dailey will be celebrating her 106 birthday on Sunday, November 19. She was born November 19, 1900 to Edward and Eliza McBride at their home in New Waverly, Texas. Mrs. Dailey has fond memories of growing up on her family farm. After her mother died when she was six or seven, she was taught to cook for her eleven older brothers and sisters. In her younger years she had to stand on a stool while cooking on the stove, but she attests she loved every minute of it.

Mrs. Dailey attended school until the six or the seventh grade. Much later in life she attended night school as part of a continuing education program to receive her



Carrie Lee Dailey

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She married Tandy Dailey in 1921. After moving around several times they settled in Grapeland, Texas on FM 227 West. Although she worked occasionally in cafés or doing household work for others, she spent much of her life as a homemaker, taking care of her family.

Mrs. Dailey had two natu-

ral children Robert McGraw and Willie Oles both of whom are now deceased. She also took in a daughter, Margie Nell Clark and helped raise Margie's daughter Brenda Reagan. She currently lives with Mrs. Reagan and family in Crockett. Mrs. Dailey is a longtime member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Grapeland.

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