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Mrs. Watkins' Sister Dies In Rusk

Billie Lou Dowling

Mrs. Billie Lou Dowling, 38, of 705 N Main St. Rusk, died Sunday June 26, 1960 in a Jacksonville nursing home after a long illness with cancer.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10 AM in the Gragard-Spraggins-Swofford Chapel in Jacksonville with the Rev. J. H. Rogers officiating. Burial was in West Shady Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Dowling was a member of the United Penecostal church.

Survivors include her husband, Willard Dowling of Rusk; her mother, Mrs. Maude Watts of Rusk, three sons, Carroll Wayne, Danny Willard, and Mark Randall Dowling; five daughters, Mrs. Edythe Sue Hemby of Palestine, Mrs. Joe Nelle Inman of Kilgore, Patricia Ann, Debra, and Donna Dowling all of Rusk; three brothers, Milton Watts of Terrell, Vernon Watts of Elkhart and J. O. Watts of Rusk; three sisters, Mrs. Nina Watkins of Denson Springs, Mrs. Linna Scoggin of Pueblo, Colorado, and Mrs. Bonnie Burrows of Alto, and two grand daughters, Debbie Inman of Kilgore, and Suzanne Hemby of Palestine.

Nephews who served as pallbearers were Dalton Watts of Wichita Falls, Bobby Burrows of Houston, Joe Mac Watts of Elkhart, Billy Burrows, George Burrows, Junior, and Jackei Burrows all of Alto.

Out of town relatives attending the funeral were Walter Burke of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. White and niece, Lorna Bell of Dallas, Mrs. Lois Watts of Wichita falls, Mrs. Edythe Watkins Musick and daughter, Jan of Baytown, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Watts and daughter, Pamela of palestine, Mrs. Hazel Burrows and daughter Gayle of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vickery of Palestine, Mrs. Doris Burke Jones of Denson Springs, and many friends of the family were present.

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