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LORRAINE WALKER GATES

Funeral Services for Lorraine Walker Gates, 87, of Trinity, Texas were held on Monday June 11, 2007 at 10:00 am at First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Dan Alexander officiating. Interment followed in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Gates was one of three children born to Edward and Elvia Cotten Walker. She was born on a Tuesday, January 19, 1920 in Saratoga, Texas. Mrs. Gates passed away peacefully on Friday June 8, 2007 in Huntsville, Texas. She was a Christian woman and a strong independent lady that loved the sound of classical music and had a passion for reading a good book. She was a Librarian for Lansberry Elementary in Trinity and Blanche K. Werner Public Library for some years. She later devoted volunteer time to the Martin Senior Center. She was a faithful member of First Presbyterian Church of Trinity.

She is preceded in death by her husband Randolph L. Gates in 1977; sons Randolph "Lindy" Gates, Jr. in 1984 and Bill Barber in 1988; brother Edward Walker; and a sister Dorothy Harris. Mrs. Gates was a generous, kind, unselfish, caring and loving, devoted mother, grandmother, great-grand-mother, and friend to all that knew her. She loved her family and her church family very deeply.

She leaves behind a great legacy of survivors daughters Jan Stephens and husband Jerry and Jennifer Barber Williams and husband E.W.; six grand-children, Marie Walet and husband Gregory, Laurie Broussard, Tara Williams and husband Emmitt, William "Tre" Barber and wife Amy, Tori Smith and husband Timothy and Lyndsay Stephens; eleven great-grandchildren Rachelle, Kas-sidy, Josh, Jacob, Timothy, Courtney, Justin, Tanner, Jordan, Addison and Morgan Lorraine; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 872, Trinity, Texas, 75862 or Blanche K. Werner Library, P. O. Box 1168, Trinity, Texas 75862.

Waller-Thornton Funeral Home in charge of arrange-ments