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HELEN CLAIRE HOWARD

Mrs. Helen Claire Howard, age 76 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, September 11, 2005 at Grapeland Nursing Center. Mrs. Howard was born July 19, 1929 in Palestine to Wesley and Ardis Murray Slack. Mrs. Howard was the first registered nurse to work at the Grapeland Community Hospital. Mrs. Howard was a nurse for the Home Health Care industry and worked throughout Houston County for many years and was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Crockett.

Survivors include her daughter Ardis Schultz and husband Scott, of Crockett; son Wesley Howard and wife Judy, of Malvern, Ark.; brother Dr. Joseph L. Slack and wife Bobbie, of Lake Jackson; grandchildren Hope and Arron Kay, of Orange, James Wesley Callaway, of Elkhart and Hannah Howard, of Malvern, Ark.; and three great-grandchildren Landon, Blake and Jacob Kay.

Preceded in death by her parents Wesley and Ardis Slack; husband Ed Howard in 1975.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Helen Claire Howard were held Tuesday, September 13, at 3:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Grapeland with the Rev. Terry Gibson and the Rev. Wesley Howard officiating. Interment followed in the Grapeland City Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be made to Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Building Fund, 797 Mt. Zion Rd., Malvern, Ark. 72104, or to the Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Research Fund.

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