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### REBECCA MCDANIEL

Memorial services for Rebecca Ann McDaniel of Empire, Alabama, were held Monday, Sept. 20, 11 a.m., at Bell Funeral Home in Sumiton, Ala.

Ms. McDaniel, age 63, surrounded by those who loved her, passed to meet her Lord on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, in the home where she was born in Empire, Ala. Born to Ezra Thaxter Clark and Norine Barbara Creel Clark on Dec. 19, 1940, in the home lovingly built by her maternal grandfather, Ms. McDaniel was the fourth of ten children.

She spent her life serving others as a devoted parent, wife, sister and friend. She worked at various jobs throughout her lifetime, including the last as a hospice caregiver, just prior to her retirement. Ms. McDaniel considered her most important job to love those around her, and teach them to love others.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Donnie McDaniel; her father, Ezra Thaxter Clark; sister, Denise Jenkins; brother, Joe Clark; and grandson, Jeffrey.

Ms. McDaniel is survived by her daughter, Barbara "Charlie" Collins of Crockett; stepdaughter, Mary Jo Hastings and husband, Thomas; stepsons, Donnie and wife Pauline; Robert; John and wife Joann; and James and wife Debbie, all of Louisiana; grandchildren Kelly Cook, of Lufkin; Jeremiah Cook and wife Teresa, of Arlington; Amanda Cook, of Shepard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, and fiancée, Mitchell Meeks; Lance Collins, Brianna Collins, Becca Collins, all of Crockett; Buffi Skinner, Cher McDaniel, Cherie McDaniel and Gabrielle McDaniel, all of Louisiana; great-grandchildren Alexis Cook and Seth Cook, both of Arlington. Survivors also include her sisters Joan Barasch, of New Jersey; Glenda Lindsay and husband Jack, of Ala.; Carol Finley of Florida; brothers Roy Clark and wife Lynn of New Jersey; Roger Clark of San Antonio; and John Clark and wife Marion of Empire, Ala., as well as numerous nieces and nephews, and close family friends, Jeannette and Jimmy Foust of Jasper, Ala.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing may send memorial donations to Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 1233, Crockett, TX 75835; Eagle Crest Therapeutic Riding, PO Box 2521, Palestine, TX 75802; or a charity of your choice.

In her final days, she expressed to her family her desire that family members con-

tinue to stay close and to share the legacy of love without judgment that she had lived her whole life.

Becky, we will miss you, but we will be "fine and dandy," and we will see you again in that mansion that our Master will help you build.