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**VERA HARRELSON  
MIDDLETON**

Vera Harrelson Middleton, age 90, of Athens, passed away Saturday, Oct. 18, 1998 in East Texas Medical Center Athens. Mrs. Middleton was born Nov. 9, 1907 in Houston County to the late Herbert and Berta Mae Thornton Harrelson. Mrs. Middleton was a resident of Cherokee County 44 years, where she and her husband farmed and managed the Rusk Motel in Rusk 16 years before retiring. She had been a resident of Athens two years and was a member of First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Middleton was preceded in death by her husband, Frank L. Middleton; son, Billy W. Middleton.

Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law, Hayne and Barbara Middleton of Bay Point, Calif., Dan and Kathy Middleton of Athens; brother, Herbert Harrelson, Jr. of Lovelady; sisters, Chrystal Little, Lennie Morgan, Ruhama Zarski, Odessa Wilson, All of Sheppard, Berta Mae Hyde of Lovelady, Bonnie Gilbert, Rosa June Price both of Trinity, Ella Andrews, Marjorie Johnson both of Huntsville, Frances Commando, Esther Lawson both of Crockett; daughter-in-law, Betty Middleton of Rusk; nine grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Middleton were held Thursday, Oct. 22 at 10:30 a.m. in the Carroll-Lehr Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Perry Eaton officiating. Graveside services and interment were held at 2:30 p.m. in the Antioch Cemetery in Houston County near Lovelady.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, PO Box 672, Athens, TX 75751.

**Carroll-Lehr Funeral Home**