

## JESSIE SHEPPARD

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Mrs. Jessie Sheppard age 94, of Crockett, passed away Thursday, November 15, 2001. In the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mrs. Sheppard was born July 23, 1907 in Mangum, Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, and she had lived in Crockett since August 1951. She graduated from Olney High School, the College of Industrial Arts (now Texas Women's University), and the Colorado State University. Her profession was a teacher of home economics. Mrs. Sheppard taught at high schools in Sparenburg, Farmersville, Bruceville-Eddy, Little River-Academy, Huntsville, Crockett, and Livingston. She also taught at Temple Junior College, Baylor University, and Stephen F. Austin State University.

A professing and Bible-believing Christian, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Crockett. Other current memberships include the Davy Crockett Pilot Club, Delta Kappa Gamma professional educator's sorority, the Texas Retired Teachers' Association, the Texas Women's University Former Students Association, and the Houston County Republican Women's Club. She was a past chief of the Pythian Sisters, and a former member of the American Association of University Woman, and other activities, including the Monroe-Crook House docents group. She was selected as a Women of the Year in Crockett by the Pilot Club in 1991. Mrs. Sheppard served on the supervisory committee of the Houston County Teacher's Federal Credit Union for many years.

Survivors include son L.E. Sheppard, Jr. and wife, Wanda of Crockett; granddaughters Joanna Heflin and husband, Michael of Pittsford, New York; Kaye Ricco and husband, Ralph of Waynesville, North Carolina; great-grandchildren Jessica and James Heflin of Pittsford, New York; sister Mary Sargent of Azle; sister-in-law Cathryne Miller of Dallas; several nieces and nephews and their families, including Ann Hataway and husband, Leon of Crockett; many friends and former students, and special friends Betty and Guy Hill, Jr. of Houston.

Preceded in death by husband, L.E. Sheppard, Sr. of Crockett; parents, Robert R. and Beulah Emma Thacker Miller of Granbury; brothers, Fred Miller of Amarillo; and Hugh Miller of Dallas; and sisters, Dot Miller of Wichita Falls; Elizabeth Manor of Wichita Falls; and Dorothy Weatherly of Houston.

Pallbearers were Ken Clark, Billy Hill, Guy Hill, Jr., Roy Jones, Pat Kelley, Jerry Sheppard, John Weatherly, Sr., and John Weatherly, Jr.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jessie Sheppard were held Tuesday, November 20, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. in the first United Methodist Church with Dr. Jerry House officiating. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to Methodist Children's Home Waco, through First United Methodist Church of Crockett or charity of one's choice.

Callaway-Allee Funeral Home