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SARA RUTH SHROYER

Beloved sister and aunt passed away Saturday night, December 31, 2005 in the East Texas Medical Center of Crockett. She was ninety-eight years old.

Miss Shroyer was born September 5, 1907 in Delaware County, Indiana, the third child of Guy and Martha Shroyer. She is survived by her brothers Dale C. Shroyer, Guy F. Shroyer, and her sister Inez Netherland, all of Crockett. She is fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews and their children. She was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters Florence Shroyer and Mary Alice Adair; and her brothers Wood, Cline, John, and Nathan Shroyer.

Miss Shroyer moved with her parents and three siblings to Houston County in 1909. They attended church and school in the Oakland Community. She graduated from Crockett High School and, in 1926, returned to Muncie, Indiana to attend Ball State University, studying to be a teacher. She completed her bachelor's degree in 1931 and taught in the area for one year before returning home to Houston County.

In the late 1930s Ruth was instrumental in bringing the Rural Electrification Association to Houston County. She traveled all over the county at her own expense convincing rural families of the benefits of signing up for this program. She was a member of the Board of Directors of the Houston County REA for several years.

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In 1962 Miss Shroyer moved to Houston with her sister Inez Netherland. In 1995 they moved to a home on the old home place where she resided until, due to failing health, she became a resident of Crockett Care Center.

She loved her family and devoted her life to her parents, her extended family, and her students. Ruth was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Crockett.

Funeral services for Miss Sara Ruth Shroyer were held Wednesday, January 4, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with Reverend Carl Shroyer officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park.

Callaway-Allee Funeral Home