

Obituary

Born: Saturday, May 21, 1927

Died: Wednesday, October 29, 2014

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors announces the death of Mrs. Betty S. Gambrell, age 87, of Swainsboro, GA on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at the Emanuel Medical Center Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be Saturday, November 1, 2014 at 11:00 AM in the Peebles-Curry Memorial Chapel with Rev. Wayne DeFore officiating, assisted by Rev. Scott Brenton.

Interment will be private in the Forest Lawn Cemetery near Dellwood, GA

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Saturday, November 1, 2014 from 10:00 AM till time of service.

Mrs. Gambrell was born in Swainsboro, Emanuel County, GA, received her bachelors degree from Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, GA, and retired after 40 years of service from the Emanuel County Board of Education. After retirement she continued as a substitute teacher and was the first special education teacher in Emanuel County. Mrs. Gambrell was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and served for 28 years as the Director of the Swainsboro Animal Shelter, which was later renamed the Betty S. Gambrell Animal Shelter. Mrs. Gambrell was a member of the Swainsboro First United Methodist Church and was preceded in death by her husband, Walter W. Gambrell; son, Phillip I. Gambrell Sr. and parents, Henry I. and Fannie Jeffers Smith.

Survivors include:

One Daughter: Shari Watt (Dwight) of Swainsboro, GA

Two Sisters: Sue Carol Atkinson of Berkley, WV and Mary Paul Smith (Warren) of Kingsport, TN

Six Grandchildren: Betsy Gambrell Clark (Tony), Phillip I Gambrell Jr., Jon Gambrell (Christine), Joe Gambrell, Jay Brandon Gambrell and Lisa Faith Gambrell

One Step Grandchild: Ashley Cowart (Jody), five great-grandchildren and extended family.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Betty S. Gambrell Animal Shelter, P O Box 1637, Swainsboro, GA 30401

Condolences may be submitted online at

www.durden-hudsonfuneraldirectors.com

Durden-Hudson Funeral Directors is in charge of arrangements for the funeral of Mrs. Betty S. Gambrell of Swainsboro, GA

Service Summary

Private Interment

Visitation

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Sat Nov 01, 2014

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206 E Pine St.

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Funeral Service

11:00 AM Sat Nov 01, 2014

Peebles Curry Memorial Chapel

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