

Edna S. Scott

Edna Juanita Stewart Scott, 94, of Magnolia, died Aug. 31, 2013, at Liberty Community Living Center in Liberty.

Visitation is 1 p.m. Saturday at Tickfaw Missionary Baptist Church until services there at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Moyese Boss, pastor, and the Rev.



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Willie Jones officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery, under the direction of Peoples Undertaking Co. of McComb.

Mrs. Scott was born Dec. 30, 1918, in Amite County, the daughter of Willie and Minerva Bates Stewart.

She received her formal education at the Europe Bates School in Amite County. She attended Wooten Beauty School in Hammond, La., and with the skills she was afforded, she had the opportunity to own her beauty salon. She worked long, hard hours to accommodate her clients, often accepting very little pay or no pay when they were unable to pay for her services.

In addition to being a local businesswoman, she served as president of the Tickfaw Head Start Parent Group, as a social worker for the Sherman Head Start Program and as a community worker for the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service.

She was a lifelong member of Tickfaw M.B. Church, where she served as president of the usher board for many years, and the Women's Missionary Society. She was also a member of the Heroines of Jericho.

Mrs. Scott was preceded in death by her husband, Obie Scott; her parents; a twin sister, Etta Lee; four sisters, Mary Robins, Laura Thompson, Callie Mae Patterson and Helen Haygood; and five brothers, Herbert, Charles, Garrett, Leroy and Willie Howard Stewart.

Survivors include a loving sister, Wilhelmina Holden of Chicago; her twin daughter and son, Melva C. Dillon of Magnolia and Melvin B. (Claretha) Scott of El Cajon, Calif.; grandchildren whom she raised, Gwendolyn G. Varnado and Sharron D. Dillon both of Houston, Texas, Norris Wayne (Jackie) Dillon of Magnolia, Bridget Hilson of Baton Rouge and Aundra (Norah) Scott of Brandon; 11 more grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, 28 great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.