Brookhaven.

Mr. King was born July 20, 1909, in Lincoln County. He was the son of Hillery King and Dora Terrell King.

He was retired from Bell South Telephone Co. He was a Mason and a member of the Bell South Pioneers. He was a member of Brookway Church of Christ.

Mr. King was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel King of Brookhaven; one son, Neal A. King of North Carolina; one daughter, Sharry J. Smith of Poplarville; one brother, Curtis King of Lincoln County; one sister, Vergie Smith of Lincoln County; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Callie S. Patterson

Callie Mae Stewart Patterson, 87, of Chicago and formerly of

Liberty, died Dec. 19, 2001, at St. Bernard Hospital in Chicago after a brief illness.

Visitation is 1 p.m. today at Shady Grove Freewill Baptist Church in

Liberty until services there at 2 p.m. The Rev. John White will officiate. Burial is in the church cemetery. Craft Funeral Home in McComb is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Patterson was born Aug. 21, 1914, in Magnolia. She was the daughter of Willie Stewart and Manerva Victoria Bates Stewart.

She was a homemaker. She accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Tickfaw Missionary Baptist Church in Amite County. She later joined Shady

Grove Freewill Baptist Church. While living in Chicago, she attended Shiloh M.B. Church and Evening Star M.B. Church.

Mrs. Patterson's family said she found delight in her 12 children, attending every graduation, wedding and gathering whether it was local or out of town. She was the family's historian and communicator, taking on the responsibility of keeping photos, as well as current addresses and phone numbers for family and friends which she often shared with others from memory.

A great gardener, she also canned vegetables and fruits. Her chow-chow, chopped cabbage, allspice and vinegar were great with soul-food dinners, the family said.

On Sept. 22-24, Mrs. Patterson and her four surviving sisters were honored in Amite and Pike counties with a series of events, including the re-dedication of their childhood home at 2611 Peoria Road in Liberty, which is expected to become a community cultural center. The home is known as Little Mama's House. Her family reportedly created one of the region's first public schools for blacks.

Mrs. Patterson was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 50 years, James Monroe Patterson, whom she married on Christmas in 1932; two sons, Freddie Lewis Patterson and Lonnell Patterson, who was the twin of Vernell; a daughter, Ernestine Patterson Mahone; five brothers, Willie Howard Stewart, Herbert Walter Stewart, and Garrett, Charles and Leroy Stewart; and two sisters, Mary Stewart Robins and Laura Stewart Thompson.

Survivors include seven sons and five daughters-in-law, Clifton and Yvonne Patterson, Roosevelt Patterson, Matthew Patterson, Thomas O. and Brenda Patterson, Robert Earl and Denise Patterson, Herbert W. and Brenda Patterson, and Vernell and Mary Patterson, all of Chicago; two daughters and a son-in-law, Sandra Patterson Chapman and Tony Chapman, and the Rev. Jean H. Johnson, all of Chicago; four sisters, Wilhelmenia Stewart Holden and Helen S. Haygood, both of Chicago, and twins Edna J. Scott of Magnolia and Etta A. Lee of Liberty; 47 grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren, other relatives and friends.



Catchings Funeral Home

Mamie Ruth Hayslip Services 11 a.m. Thursday Catchings chapel Burial in Woodlawn Cemetery

Mary Frances Tatum Services 2 p.m. Thursday Catchings chapel Burial in Hollywood Cemetery

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