

Essie Lee Bates

Essie Lee Bates, 92, of Magnolia died Oct. 6, 2005, at McComb Nursing and Rehab.

Services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at Tickfaw Baptist Church. The Rev. Percy Veal, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Cook's Enterprise Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Mrs. Bates was born Aug. 29, 1913, in Amite County to Ada Powell Robinson and Fabius Robinson.

She joined Tickfaw Baptist Church at an early age.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Willie Bates Sr.; two sons, Alvin Kenneth Bates and Bernard E. Bates; five brothers and three sisters.

Mrs. Bates is survived by a son, Willie Bates and wife Evelyn of Magnolia; two grandchildren, Alvin Bates and wife Kimberly of Kenner, La., and Sharon Mixon and husband Alvie of Summit; two great-grandchildren, Keshunna Stewart and Alvin Mixon, both of Summit; one sister, Mamie Jackson of Liberty; and a host of other relatives and friends.