



West, Tessie

January 22, 2009

West, Tessie I., age 89 of Sycamore Avenue, Moundsville, WV died Thursday, January 22, 2009 in Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Glen Dale, WV.

She was born October 16, 1919 in Rosby's Rock, WV, the daughter of the late Clarence and Iona Neely Johnson.

She was a homemaker; a former cook with Young's; a former employee of Marshall County Schools; and a member of Ash Avenue Church of God.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William D. West; a sister, Hazel Conner; a brother, Clarence Johnson; and a son-in-law, Jim Updegraff.

Survivors include a son, Clarence "Bill" (Pamela) West of Moundsville; two daughters, Barbara Updegraff of Moundsville, and Linda (Harold) Aston of Cameron, WV; two brothers, Harold (Judy) Johnson, and Robert (Mary) Johnson, all of Moundsville; six sisters, Eileen (Harold) Wellman, Mildred (Warren) Wellman, Glenna (Robert) Parsons, Eula (Wayne) Cross, Betty Jean (Paul) Whitlatch, and Louella (Walter) Fritzman, all of Moundsville; a sister-in-law, Anna Johnson of Moundsville; eight grandchildren, Cindy Updegraff (Ronnie Stollar) of Moundsville, James (Janice) Updegraff of Wheeling, Michael Updegraff, Richard Updegraff, Pamela Goddard, Sandy (Darrin) Yocum, all of Moundsville, April (Chad) Sheets of GA, and Billie Jo West (Josh Powers) of Moundsville; a special granddaughter, Nila Stollar of Moundsville; three step-grandchildren, Julie (Brett) Hawkins, Dennis (Amber) Aston, all of Cameron, and Raquel Powell of Moundsville; eleven great grandchildren; and

eight step-great grandchildren.

Family will receive friends on Sunday from 1-8pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville, and on Monday from 10am until time of funeral service at 11am at Ash Avenue Church of God, 127 Ash Avenue, Moundsville with Rev. Jeff Hancock officiating.

Interment in Riverview Cemetery, Moundsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ash Avenue Church of God, Moundsville.