



## Lila Prophater

June 6, 1918 - May 7, 2009

Lila (Scotty) Prophater age 90 of Harriman passed away Thursday May 7, 2009 at her home. She was a member of Woods Chapel United Methodist Church. Preceded in death by her husband Donald G. Prophater, parents Jay Howard & Margaret Scott, sister Mary Ann Smith, nephew Howard Lee Smith. Sister Margaret (Biddy) McKee of Memphis

Nieces Lila Piercy of Memphis

Marga McKee of Colombia, SC

Nephews Warren Smith of Harriman

Scott McKee of Memphis

Buddy Smith of Harriman

Graveside service 3 PM Monday May 11, 2009 at Roane Memorial Gardens with Rev. Joe Davis officiating. Kyker Funeral Home Harriman serving the family of Lila Prophater. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Woods Chapel United Methodist Church

# Tribute Wall

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**Jim and Dot Borum** - May 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mrs. Phophater was one of my best teachers, a friend, one who cared about me and I truly loved her as a person. She lived next door when I was in the 7th grade. I feel fortunate to have traveled with her on my journey through life. She made you feel important as an individual. Our lives crossed many times as I grew to manhood, an adult and as a family in the community . We have lost a great person who has contributed much to so many as she traveled on her journey of life. Those whose lives she touched know how great a lady she was. If you have not viewed the story *Life on a Train and The Dash*, you will relate and remember Mrs . Prophater.*

*Jim Borum*

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“ She was my "Great" aunt, actually my Grandfather's sister in law, whatever the correct name is,....I loved her and spent most every summer and Christmas of my youth sharing time between her home on Webster Pike, at the lake, and my Grandmother's at various homes in the Cornstalk Heights district. Then there was my Great-grandmother's house, Mammy, and Big Jack, on Morgan Street. My Great grandfather's metal shop is still behind that house bearing the name, "Prophater Sheet Metal Shop". With Aunt Scotty's passing I wonder if I will ever come back to Harriman, as I write this in my hotel room. That is indeed a sad thought! I spent summers at the park, Killifer, and pool, and the Country Club and pool at West Hills, with some of the local children, including Marty, Becky, and Jamie Jackson, whose parents still live up on Cumberland St. My father was called Jackie and his mother and father were Dorothy (Dot) and Jack Prophater. I linger in my hotel room wondering what to do next....I will visit the cemetery now that the grave site is cleaned up to see those of my relatives there. I was at the funeral and met many of her family I did not know. How time flies and how distant we can become, literally and in relationships. I really long for closer ties now that I am older and they are all gone....alas, it may be too late for our small family. I kept in touch with Aunt Scotty over the years but had not visited since after Uncle Don passed away. Every time I called and asked how she was doing she always said, " Pretty good for an 80 (various digits added) year old lady." As mentioned at her ceremony, she was a cornerstone at her church, Woods Chapel. I had visited there every time I came here! She also volunteered to help local children read at the elementary school. She never lost her devotion to the Lord or her calling to teach children, including me! I owe part of who I am today to her as I know she prayed for me and loved me. As Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." I can claim this verse to be true indeed and thank those who have gone before me for the man I am today! In gracious memory, Stephen Kirk Prophater 128 Blaine Rd. New London, NC 28127 angelbay@earthlink.net 910-572-2955

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