



## Lois Esteleen Jenkins Nelson

March 25, 1923 - June 17, 2002

Lois Esteleen Jenkins Nelson, age 79, of Sweetwater, went home to be with Jesus Monday, June 17, 2002, at Park West Hospital in Knoxville following a lengthy illness. She was a devoted wife and mother of five generations. She was the retired owner of Nelson's Grocery in the Erie Community and a member of Blue Springs Baptist Church. She had served as a Sunday School teacher, secretary and treasure of the church. Preceded in death by husband of 62 years. Martin L. Nelson of Sweetwater, great-great grandson Joshua Lingerfelt of Athens, parents: Arthur (Square) & Sena Mae Jenkins of Maryville, sisters: Stella Boring, Willie Kelso, Eula Nelson, Geraldine Nelson, Estelle Jenkins all of Maryville, brothers: David and Raymond Jenkins both of Maryville. Survivors include: daughters and sons-in-law: Jeanette and Johnny Rollins, Joyce and Eddie Whited, Joan and Gene Hicks, and Janice and Wayne Givens; son and daughter-in-law: Arnold and Brenda Nelson; sister: Iva Sanders, 3 devoted caretakers; 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great grandchildren. A host of other family members and friends. She was loved and will be greatly missed. The body is at Sweetwater Memory Chapel, Sweetwater where the family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2002. Funeral service will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday in the Sweetwater Memory Chapel with Rev. Ralph Hamby officiating. Interment to follow in the Sweetwater Valley Memorial Park. Sweetwater Memory Chapel in charge of arrangements.