



Mary Lois Vann Gillentine

February 25, 1930 - March 26, 2007

Mary Lois Vann Gillentine, age 77, passed away on Monday, March 26, after a brave and courageous battle with cancer. Lois was born in Kingston, Tennessee, and lived most of her life in Roane County. Lois spent several years as a substitute teacher and many years as a Deputy Trustee of the Roane County Trustee's Office until her retirement. She was preceded in death by her parents Jake and Maude Vann. Lois is survived by her husband, Joseph Gillentine, her devoted daughter, Nancy Young Wright and son-in-law Danny, Grandson Derek Wright and wife Melissa, and Granddaughter Lindsey Alley and husband Brandon. Stepchildren include Joey Gillentine, La Vergne, Tennessee, Kathleen Simons, Sharon Freeman, and Connie Leard all of Johns Island, South Carolina. Lois enjoyed playing bridge and having lunch with friends of the Birthday Club. Lois loved animals and had a special place in her heart for little "Annie." The family wishes to thank the caring and compassionate staff at Tennessee Cancer Specialists, especially Dr. Russell Devore and his team. The family will receive friends on Thursday night from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Kyker's Funeral Home in Kingston with a celebration of her life at 7:00 p.m. in the Kyker Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to Baptist Hospice as they provided much help and comfort over the past several weeks.