

Shirley Mae Muse Buchanan, 87, of Meadowbrook Lane, Rabun Gap, Ga., passed away Monday, April 28, 2008, at Northeast Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville, Ga.

Born in Haywood County, N.C., she was the daughter of the late Theodore Tecumseh and Dovie Lee Kuykendall Muse. She was also preceded in death by a son, Jack Buchanan; a brother, T.T. Muse Jr.; and two sisters, Mary Elizabeth Muse and Nellie Palmer.

She was the widow of Millard Merritt Buchanan.

She was a homemaker; a member of the Head of Tennessee Baptist Church; and a member of various other organizations until failing health prevented service.

Surviving are two sons and their wives, Millard Earl and Shelba Buchanan of Waynesville and Joe and Wanda Buchanan of Rabun Gap; two daughters and their husbands, Carolyn and Phillip Roberson of Otto and Emma and Tommy Chastain of Rabun Gap; a daughter-in-law, Mary Lou Buchanan Vinson of Dillard, Ga.; one brother, Albert Muse of Waynesville; one sister, Thelma Francis of Waynesville; 14 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at 3 p.m., Thursday, May 1, at the Head of Tennessee Baptist Church, with Revs. Doug Porter and Tommy Lamb officiating.

Burial followed in the Rabun Gap Presbyterian Cemetery with Layman Lloyd Hunter officiating at the graveside.

The family received friends from 6 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, at the church; and from 2 to 3 p.m., Thursday, May 1, at the church.

Hunter Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences are available by visiting www.hunterfuneralhomega.com.

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