

Evelyn Grace Watts Kilby, 76, of Clayton, died Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2007, at Mountain Lakes Medical Center.

She was born in Rabun County to Jesse C. and Ila Justice Watts. She worked many years in quality control at Empire Manufacturing Company.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, Cloes Watts, J.C. Watts, Ruben Watts, Hubert Watts and Donald Watts; and a sister, Robbie Watts.

Survivors include: her husband of 60 years, Claude Kilby of Clayton; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sylvia Kilby and Danny Shook and Claudia Kilby and Gene Thompson, all of Clayton; two brothers, Calvin Watts of Atlanta and Lewis Watts of Hickory, N.C.; three grandchildren, Donna Bryant of Knoxville, Tenn., and Kyle Shook and Ryan Thompson, both of Clayton; and two great-grandchildren, Danielle Bryant and Delayna Bryant.

Funeral services were held Monday at Persimmon Church of God with the Revs. Gary Ashe and Jimmy Kilby officiating. Burial followed at Persimmon Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Tallulah-Persimmon Fire Department or the Persimmon Church of God Building Fund.

Beck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. An online guestbook is available at www.beckfuneralhome.com.

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