

# Gladys Estelle Burleson

MAY 26, 1922 – MAR 19, 2011



Gladys Estelle Burleson, age 88, of Spruce Pine went to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 19, 2011 in the Blue Ridge Regional Hospital. Born in McDowell County, she was the daughter of the late Oscar Mosted and Una Manasie Willis Hayes. She was a member of Freedom Baptist Church and was retired from Baxter Laboratories of Marion. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband; Howard Landon Burleson who passed away in 1988; two brothers; Bill and J.D. Hayes and a half sister; Martha Hayes. Left to cherish her memories are two daughters; Barbara Ledford and husband, Don of Marion and Betty Draughon and husband, Jeff of Morehead City, NC and a son; Kenny Burleson and wife, Anita of Spruce Pine. She is also survived by granddaughter; Heather Burleson of Dunwoody, GA; grandsons; Michael McGee and wife, Jessica of Fairview; David McGee and wife, Erica of Hendersonville; Jordan Burleson and wife, Paula of Winston-Salem and Adam Burleson of Spruce Pine; great grandchildren; Lola and Gracie. Funeral services for Mrs. Burleson will be conducted on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at 2:00 pm in the Freedom Baptist Church with the Revs. Cass Buchanan, Vernon Buchanan, and Harold Grindstaff officiating. Interment will follow in the Grassy Creek Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends Monday evening from 6:00 until 8:00 at the church. In Lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be made to: Hospice of Mitchell County, 236 Hospital Drive, Spruce Pine, NC 28777. Condolences may be submitted by going to our website; [www.webbfh.com](http://www.webbfh.com), selecting obituaries, and clicking on the name you wish to view and sign the guestbook. Webb Funeral Home in Spruce Pine, NC is assisting the Burleson family.

## Gladys Estelle Burleson's is the wife of Howard Burleson



Howard Burleson of Burleson's Heating and Plumbing of Spruce Pine, NC.

The following was written, and read at the Funeral of Howard Burleson on April 11, 1988, by the "Rev. R.M. Cassity" in tribute to his dear friend Howard Burleson.

### POEM:

He did not have much to say as other Christians do. He just lived for Jesus every day, and let his light shine through.

He spoke for Jesus by his life among his fellow man, by all the kindly deeds he done in extending a helping hand.

He loved his family and his Lord, his church and friends so dear. When needs arose for each of them, his help was always near.

Though gone from us to heaven above, to await our arrival there. His memory will linger on with us, whose lives he touched down here.

May each of us who are left behind to continue our journey on, be inspired by the life of Howard, who waits to welcome us home. R.M. Cassity.

# Direct Descendants of EDWARD BURLESON



