



Mrs. Birdie Lee Childers Neal

February 4, 1923 - January 13, 2016

Birdie Lee Childers Neal, 92, of DeWitt died January 13, 2016. She was born February 4, 1923 in DeWitt to Claude and Gonzula "Dude" Childers. She taught 5th-8th grades at the Bayou Meto School from 1946-1947, and taught for five years at the Ruffin school in Point DeLuce. In her later years worked at Gallery "G" Antiques. She was a member of DeLuce Prairie Union United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Claude and Gonzula Childers; husband, Volney Neal; and three sisters Claudine Culbeth, Margie Hubbard, and Dorothy "Dix" Hesser.

Birdie Lee is survived by her children David Neal and his wife Martha of DeWitt, and Nancy Hollingsworth of Memphis; three grandchildren Charles Neal and his wife Whitney and Jonathan and Leah Hollingsworth; two great grandchildren Caleb and Colton Neal; and one sister Beth Beckwith.

Visitation will be January 16 from 9-10 a.m. at Essex Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. January 16 at Essex Funeral Home chapel with burial in Childers Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Childers Cemetery, c/o DeWitt Bank & Trust, P.O. Drawer 71, DeWitt, AR 72042. www.essexfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *David, Nancy,*

I am very sorry for the loss of your mother. She was a fine lady.

Ray Gilbert - April 27, 2018 at 01:10 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to here of Bertie's passing. She was an integral part of Gallery G for many years and a great help to my father and myself after Ruth (my mother) died. She will forever be remembered by our family for all her kindness and gentle smile.*

Nancy Garot Reynolds - April 27, 2018 at 01:10 PM