



## Betty J. Hockensmith

April 2, 1928 - November 16, 2011

Mrs. Betty J. Hockensmith age 83 of Sumiton, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday November 16, 2011. She was a member of Sumiton Church of God, was a graduate of North Texas State University and the University of Alabama; she was the first female principal in the history of the Walker County School system, having served as principal of Empire School.

Funeral services will be Friday November 18, 2011 at 7:00 pm at Sumiton Church of God. Rev. Toby Morgan will officiate. Visitation is Friday night 5:30-7:00 pm at the church. Interment will be in New Horizon Memorial Gardens.

She was preceded in death by her son Stephen Hockensmith.

Survivors include her husband of 61 years, Rev. James R.

Hockensmith, Sr. of Sumiton; her children, James Hockensmith, Jr. and wife Debra of Sumiton, Deborah Nix and husband Curtis of Tuscaloosa, Rhoda Peoples and husband Jeff of Hoover and Valerie Kiser and husband Rick of Kannapolis, NC; grandchildren, Rana, Heather (Jody), Hannah, Justin (Julie), David, Katelyn (Marc), Caroline, Sara, Stephen, Seth and Shea; great-grandchildren, Micah, Matthew, Emma, Joe, Maddix, Joshua, Jacquelyn, Jaden and Jackson; her sister, Jo "Sugar" Powell of Bremerton, WA; several nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home, Dora directing  
205-648-2323

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty J. Hockensmith*

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