



Katherine Mathes

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Katherine Alice Mathes, 78, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and sister, passed away at 5:25 a.m. Sunday, January 19, 2014 at her home in Alton. Born December 15, 1925 in Oxford, Florida, she was the daughter of the late William Earl and Iva Mae (Nichols) Talbott. Katherine was an avid reader and loved to vacation in Florida with her family and lifelong friends. She was a member of Abundant Life Community Church and worked as a cashier for Walmart in Centralia and Wood River. On September 18, 1955 she married Reverend Robert Lee Mathes Sr. He survives. Also surviving are three children, Bridget Renée Jones (Rodney Glenn) of Ft. Worth, TX, Robert Lee Mathes Jr. (Marsha Kay) of Huntsville, Alabama, and Carla IvEtta Chappee (Eric Even) of Alton, grandchildren, Mitchell Scott Mathes, Jessica Renée Jones, Parrish Channing Dunbar, Callie Jane Chappee, and Joselyn Noemi LeeEtta Chappee. She is also survived by her siblings, Charlie Talbott (Rosa), Glenn Talbott (Shirley), Bob Talbott (Fannie), Paul Talbott (Paulette), and Earline Matthews (Dick), and many much loved and cherished nieces, nephews, and friends. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Juddie Talbott. Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday, January 23, 2014 at Abundant Life Community Church where funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 24, 2014. Burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO. Pastor David Fields of Grace Community Church in Mount Vernon, IL, will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family for them to purchase a memorial in memory of Kathy. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com