



Mary Duke

January 17, 1925 - December 15, 2013

Funeral Services for Mrs. Mary Holland Duke, Age 88, will be conducted, 1 PM, Wednesday, December 18, 2013 in the Toombsboro United Methodist Church, with Rev. Billy Wicker, Rev. Jeff Alligood, and Rev. Mike Bankston Officiating The family will receive friends at Williams Funeral Home of Gordon, Tuesday Evening, from 5 until 7. Mrs. Duke passed away, December 15, 2013. She was a native of the Mingo Community near Toombsboro. She was the daughter of the late Thomas Jefferson ?Jay? Holland and the late Lizzie Miller Holland. Mrs. Duke earned her BS Degree in Home Economics at Berry College and taught in Odum, Georgia. She returned to the University of Georgia to complete her Masters Degree where she met and married her Husband, the late Clarence W. ?CW? Duke. The Dukes made their home in the Mingo Community for the next 61 years. Mrs. Duke was the principal of Toombsboro Elementary School before it was consolidated with the Wilkinson County Elementary in Irwinton. Mrs. Duke taught Home Economics at Boddie Jr. High School until she retired. She was a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church. Mrs. Duke was predeceased by her son, Dale Duke and her sister Ruby Jernigan. Survivors include daughters Sandra Sallee of Cairo, Marsha Powers (Harold) of Mingo Community, Patti Duke of Toombsboro, Lisa Mathews of Macon, Son Clarence A. (Cindy)Duke of Mingo Community, Sister Judy Ann Howell of Tallahassee, Fl, Caregivers Betty Jean Grimsley and Frank Coverson, 18 Grandchildren, 15 Great Grandchildren, a number of nieces and nephews. Flowers accepted and those who wish memorial contributions may be made to Serenity Hospice, 510 Bellevue Ave, Dublin, GA 31021.