

Magdalen Upmore Shelton | 1922-2016

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Magdalen Upmore Shelton, 93, died Tuesday, July 12, 2016, in Decatur.

A graveside service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 14, at Oaklawn Cemetery in Decatur.

Madge was born on Nov. 26, 1922, in the farming community of Tours near Waco to Thomas and Lena Upmore. Her grandparents had come from Germany in the 1880s. As a young lady, she worked as a seamstress during World War II. She followed her love for clothes and fashion the rest of her life. She married Robert Godfrey Shelton Nov. 16, 1942, in Waco. They lived in Waco, Kansas City, Mo. and Fort Worth. She lived in Fort Worth from 1951-2005 and was a member at Wesley Methodist Church. After raising her children, she worked for over 30 years in retail as a clothes seamstress and loved her job and customers.

She moved to Governor's Ridge Assisted Living in Decatur in 2005.

She was preceded in death by her husband; brother Tommy Upmore; sisters Betty Yoli and Delores Bair; son Tommy Shelton; and daughter Sharon Watkins.

She is survived by her sister Evelyn Varner of Austin; son Gary Shelton and wife, Margie, of Decatur; grandchildren Jeremy Shelton and wife, Hayley, of Decatur, Suzanne Shelton of Denton, and James Watkins and wife, Amber, of Camden, Ark.; great-grandchildren Blakely Shelton of Decatur and Kacie and Danica Watkins of Camden, Ark.