

HELEN VAUDEAN THOMAS GILLILAND TEMPLETON



Helen Vaudean Thomas Gilliland Templeton, a homemaker, died July 12, 2006 in Bridgeport at the age of 94 years.

Mrs. Templeton was born October 4, 1911 in Bridgeport to the late Sam and Birdie (Thompson) Thomas. She married Paul Gilliland in 1932 in Marrieta, Oklahoma. He died in 1944. She married her second husband, Aubin Templeton in 1951. They were united until his death in 1988.

She was also preceded in death by nine brothers and sisters: Aaron Thomas, Alba Vickers, Homer Thomas, Cleo Roberts, Thalia Cullen, Sam Thomas, Jr., Hayden Thomas, Doris June Flowers, and LaMoyne Johnson.

Survivors include her daughters, Bertie Murphy of Paradise; Paula Thornhill and husband Gene of Coppell, Sarah Rich and husband D.E. of Corinth and Jerry Foreman of Bridgeport; sons, Joe Gilliland and wife Jan of Paradise and Gaylord Gilliland

and wife Cathy of Argyle; twenty-five grandchildren; thirty-seven great-grandchildren; sixteen great-great-grandchildren; her brother, Truett Thomas of Alvarado; numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

Funeral service was July 16 at the First Baptist Church in Paradise with Rev. Matt Edwards and Dr. Bob Cullen officiating. Interment was at the Paradise Cemetery. Pallbearers are Ritchard Murphy, Paul Murphy, Randy Hubbard, Ron Hubbard, Rob Hubbard, Chris Gilliland, Wes Gilliland, Matt Gilliland, Todd Foreman and Brian Foreman. Honorary pallbearers are Shiloah Shannon, Shea Martin, Chase Martin, Jory Murphy, Reese Murphy, Jarrett Hubbard, R. J. Hubbard, Ernie Cantrell, Tyler Cannon, Mason Cannon and Scott Taylor.

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