



Sibyl Bland Sparks

September 2, 2009

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Sibyl Bland Sparks, age 70, died Wednesday, September 2, 2009, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Oxford, MS.

Mrs. Sparks had lived her entire life in the Oxford area. She was a retired hairdresser who had owned a beauty salon in Oxford for many years. Mrs. Sparks especially enjoyed her grandchildren, attending Little League baseball games and cooking for the family. She was known to sneak treats to her dog, "Sparky", on occasion. Mrs. Sparks was a member of the Oxford Church of Christ. Every member of the church's roster would receive a phone call from her on his or her birthday when she would sing "Happy Birthday" to that person.

Visitation will be held Thursday, September 3, 2009, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Friday, September 4, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. in the Coleman Funeral Home Chapel with Bob Brewer officiating. Interment will be in the Veterans Garden of the Garden of Memories located at Coleman Funeral Home. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include her husband, Winfred P. Sparks of Oxford, MS; one

daughter, Lisa C. Durham of Oxford, MS; one son, Phillip (LeeAnn) Cooper of Oxford, MS; three sisters, Ellen Ferrell of Oxford, MS, Brenda Weeks of Thaxton, MS and Cecelia Nelson of Knoxville, TN; five grandchildren, Matt and Chris Durham, Kevin Cooper, Josh and Tyler Jackson, all of Oxford, MS.

Her parents, John Henry and Ida Pearl Bland, a daughter, Susie C. Jackson, and a grandchild, Cameron "Cam" Cooper, preceded Mrs. Sparks in death.

Memorials may be made to the Oxford Church of Christ, P.O. Box 1500, Oxford, MS 38655 or the LeBonheur Foundation, P.O. Box 41817, Memphis, TN 38174-1817.