



Lola Fay Matthews Williams

January 11, 1914 - April 24, 2013

Lola Fay (Matthews) William, 99 of Gause, Texas, passed away Wednesday night, April 24, 2013 in the Hearne Health Care. She was born January 11, 1914 in Gause to the late Rufus Floyd and Bessie Ann (Bailey) Matthews. Lola married Jesse Nathaniel Williams on July 26, 1930 in Gause. Shortly thereafter, they moved to and lived in the nearby communities of Pin Oak and Hanover until 1943, when her husband became employed as a Driller in the oil fields. In the ensuing years, they lived in many places, from the Southern tip of Texas to the Texas Panhandle. In 1963, they retired on a farm inside the Milam-Bell County line southeast of Rogers, Texas. Upon her husband's death in 1972, she returned to Gause, living across the street from the Post Office, where she lived 37 years. She especially enjoyed cooking for the holidays and having her family to celebrate with her. The door was always open to her many friends and neighbors. Her favorite pastime was playing dominoes. At age 84, she won the first Annual 42 Tournament which was held by the Gause Volunteer Fire Department. She held that honor for three consecutive years and was awarded with a certificate. Lola was a member of Gause Baptist Church. Christmas night in 2008, she fell breaking five ribs and was later transferred from the hospital to the nearby Hearne Health Care so she could be more conveniently visited by family and close friends. Survivors include her son, Walter "Bud" Williams and wife Velmalene of Yoakum, Texas; son-in-law, Odell Pratt of Gause; sister, Gertrude Welch of Hearne; Four grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren and many nieces and

nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jesse Nathaniel Williams; daughters, Frances Riley Jordan and Mary Sue Pratt; sons-in-law, Linden A. Riley and Arlie Jordan; grandson, Jesse Earl Pratt; sister, Clara Ashley; brothers, Emmett, Edward, Bailey, Russell, Dueward, Ollie and J.P. Matthews. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 27, 2013 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale. Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, 2013 at the Gause Baptist Church in Gause with burial in the Gause Cemetery. Don Hancock will officiate. Memorials may be made to Gause Baptist Church P.O. Box 254, Gause, Texas 77857; or to your favorite charity.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Lola Fay Matthews Williams*

W.T. & Winnie Dyer - April 28, 2013 at 10:10 AM

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mr. & mrs. charles matthews - April 27, 2013 at 09:36 PM

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Justin Williams - April 26, 2013 at 05:41 PM

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“ *Lola Fay Matthews Williams*

Jeanne Williams - April 25, 2013 at 02:28 PM