



Hessie Mae Cress

December 21, 1918 - May 5, 2011

Mrs. Hessie Mae Chapman Cress, 92, passed away Thursday, May 05, 2011 at the Brian Center in Salisbury, NC.

Born Dec. 21, 1918 in Rowan County she was the daughter of the late Lillie Mae Koontz Chapman and Charlie Chapman.

Mrs. Cress was educated in the Rowan County school system. She was co-owner of Connie and Hessies Florist since 1970. She was a charter member of Gospel Light Baptist Church.

Mrs. Cress is preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Edward Cress, whom she married in 1941; and brother, Marvin Watsel Chapman.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Jeanette Carole Ayers and husband Rev. David Ayers of Salisbury, NC; sister, Elma Cornelia Menius of Winston-Salem, NC; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be held 2:00 PM Monday, May 9, 2011 at Summersett Memorial Chapel with Rev. George Bradshaw officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior. Burial will follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Yadkin Baptist Church, 150 Yadkin Baptist Church

Rd., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Cress family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Jeanette Ayers

On behalf of our staff and management, we extend our sincere sympathy to you in the loss of your mother. We know she will be missed. Hessie was a truly wonderful lady.

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