## Baldridge, Deletha Owens 1917 - 2003

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Baldridge, Deletha- It is with a sad and bewildered heart that I submit an obituary of Deletha Baldridge. Deletha was born on July 4, 1917, in Johnson County, Kentucky. She was born into the home of Jeff and Rachael Conley Owens who preceded her in death. In her early years they moved to Knott County where she met her husband, the late Preacher Olus Baldridge. To this union were born two children, Chloron, an infant son who preceded her in death, and a daughter, Betty Sue Watts who also preceded her in death. Later in the years Deletha and Olus took into their home two twin girls, Linda and Brenda, who they raised as their own. Deletha passed away from this life on March 22, 2003, in Hazard, Kentucky. Also surviving are two sisters, Margie Slone of Bypro, Kentucky, and Daisy Cornett of Emmalena, Kentucky; two brothers, Edgar and Ellis, preceded her in death. Deletha is also survived by seven grandchildren, Tommy (Jessie) Watts, Tony(Jeanie) Watts, April (Raegan) Everidge, Derwin (Deana) Combs, Dalarie (Kevin) Anderson, Jeremy (Amy) Combs, and Destry (Pam) Maggard; eight great grandchildren, Tonyua (John) Reed, Andrea Watts, Malachi, Hannah Maggard, Caleb, Kaylee, Dawson, and Ava Combs; and one great great grandchild, Joshua Reed. Deletha was a member of the New Home Church where she served dutifully with her husband, Olus, who was the moderator for many years. She would open her home after church and feed the many people that would stop by. She did not want anyone to leave hungry. Deletha bore her illness with patience. She was fortunate to have her grandson, Tommy, there to see her every need. Tommy, you are to be commended for taking such great care of her. You did everything you could. Even though she never had a son to see grow up, she treated her sons-in-law, Ray and me, as her own. There are so many great things I could write about Deletha but time and space does not permit. Submitted by her son-in-law, Moses Maggard