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Hattie Sue Ledford Reese

Highlands, NC - Hattie Sue Ledford Reese "our loving Mama Sue", age 74, passed away Sunday December 26, 2010 at Memorial Mission Hospital. Sue was a native of Macon County and the daughter of the late Howard and Orpha Hastings Ledford. She was a member of the Highlands First Baptist Church where she was active in GA's and Sunday school instruction during her youth. She also was a retired member of the Highlands Womans Club at which time she helped co-found Fibber Maggie's Closet in Highlands, recognizing the need of second hand clothing, as a mother of four children. Throughout her life she worked many trades to help provide for her family but in the end she retired with twenty three years of service as manager and forefather of the Highlands ABC store. The job she enjoyed the most, however, was making her homemade jams and jellies which she sold at the Highlands Arts and Crafts Fair for twenty seven years. She had a passion for dancing, most especially the art of clogging, of which she traveled throughout the southeast as a clogging judge. Her most important role in life, that she took most pride in, was the love and care that she gave to her family and friends as her heart was never ending.

Sue is survived by four children, a son, Kevin Reese (Barbara) of Highlands, NC, a daughter, Karen Reese of Highlands, NC and fraternal twins, David Reese of Highlands, NC and Donna Hoffman (Chris) of Carbondale, CO; five grandchildren, Tara Reese Ray, (Chad), Devon Reese, Michael Reese, Austin Reese, Alexa Reese and one great grandchild, Channing Ray; two sisters, Deanne Raby (Bert) of Franklin, NC, Jewell Drake (Tom) of Franklin, NC and one brother, Don Ledford (Susie) of Raleigh, NC as well as numerous neices and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Robert L. Reese, Jr. "Dugan"; one son, Michael Lee Reese and three brothers, Derold, Harold and Hewell Ledford.

Funeral services will be held Friday, December 31, 2010 at 1:00 pm at Highlands First Baptist Church with Rev. Charles Harris officiating. Burial will be in Highlands Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be nephews, Howie Raby, Dwight Raby, Donald Ledford, Michael Ledford, Derrick Ledford, and Jonathan Sanders. The family will receive friends Friday, December 31, from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, two hours prior to the service, at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Lewis Rathbun Wellness Center, 121 Sherwood Ave., Asheville, NC 28802.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
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