

**MARGARET MAY (ANDERSON) LANKFORD OBT.**

Mrs. Margaret Lankford, a homemaker of the Defeated Creek Community, died at 11:35 p.m. Thursday evening, Dec. 31, 2009, at the St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville of complications from a fall at her Willow Brook Lane home in the Defeated Creek Community on Sunday evening, Dec. 20th. Mrs. Lankford was 83. Funeral services from the Carthage Chapel of Sanderson Funeral Home will be conducted Sunday afternoon by Wayne P. Lankford and Mrs. Lankford's minister, Larry Cole. Burial will follow in the Lankford family lot at Defeated Creek Memorial Gardens.

Born in Detroit in Wayne County, Michigan on May 1, 1926, she was one of two daughters of the late Howard Noble and Anna Dee Butts Anderson. Her only sibling, Mahilda Anderson Sparks preceded her in death. On April 20, 1946 in Toledo, Ohio, she married Defeated Creek Community native, Everett Frank Lee Lankford, whom she met while working at Sears in Detroit. Mrs. Lankford was a member of the Montrose Church of Christ at Defeated Creek. They retired to their Beasley Hollow farm after Mr. Lankford's retirement from the Chrysler Corporation in 1980.

Surviving in addition to her husband of over 64 years are three children, Alana Ewing and her husband John and their daughter Janna of McMinnville, Jeff Lankford and his wife Brenda and their children, Ashley, Blake, Noah, and Carson Lankford, all of Cookeville, Chuck Lankford and his wife Mary Anne and their children, Patrick, Rachel and Ethan, all of Cookeville.

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