

**WILLIS NORMAN GENTRY OBT.**

b. March 22, 1881, Putnam Co., TN – d. April 18, 1967, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN  
md 1<sup>st</sup> **Eliza Alice Crawford** (1885-1912) – md 2<sup>nd</sup> **Julia Emma Reeder** (1890-1965)

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He was a native of Putnam County, a son of John W. and Josephine Shanks Maxwell Gentry.

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**JULIA EMMA (REEDER) GENTRY OBT.**

b. December 23, 1890 – d. January 25, 1965

Mrs. Julia Emma Gentry died Monday (January 25). She was 74. Burial was in the Maxwell Cemetery. She was the daughter of L. P. and Martha Green Reeder.

Survivors include her husband, Willis N. Gentry of Baxter; sons, Howard of Chattanooga, Hatton of Crossville, George and Ralph of Baxter, and Charles of Detroit; 3 daughters, Mrs. Pearl Taylor and Mrs. Gladys Carter of Detroit; and Mrs. Lucille Brown of Baxter; 1 brother, Jay Reeder of Rt. 4, Cookeville; 1 sister, Mrs. Leona Wallace of Silver Point.

Baxter Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Dispatch, TN: Wednesday, 27 January 1965.

**PEARL (GENTRY) TAYLOR OBT.**

b. October 10, 1909, Smith Co., TN – d. June 21, 2007, Putnam Co., TN

**BAXTER** -- Funeral services for Pearl Taylor, 97, of Baxter will be held Sunday, June 24, at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Baxter Funeral Home. Burial will be in Maxwell Cemetery - North.

Family will receive friends Saturday, June 23, from 5-9 p.m. and Sunday, June 24, from 10 a.m. until time of services at the funeral home.

Mrs. Taylor died Thursday, June 21, 2007, at Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

She was born Oct. 10, 1909, in Smith County to the late Willis Norman and Eliza Alice Crawford Gentry.

Mrs. Taylor was a homemaker and attended Bethlehem Church of Christ.

Her family includes two daughters and sons-in-law, Wilene and Alvin Winfree and Pauline Neill and John Allen, all of Baxter; a brother, Charles Gentry of Michigan; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Taylor was preceded in death by her husband, William (Lige) Taylor; a daughter, Hilda Allen; five brothers, Howard, Hatton, Edward, George and Ralph Gentry; an infant brother; and two sisters, Gladys Carter and Lucille Brown.

Pallbearers will be Mrs. Taylor's grandsons.

Bro. Glenn Ramsey will officiate the services.

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