



## Helen Hoover

December 21, 1935 - February 13, 2008

A wonderful mother and a devoted grandmother and great-grandmother, Helen went to be with the Lord Wednesday, February 13, 2008 after a long battle with cancer. She was 72. Helen was a resident of Albany, a native of Baptist and a member of Old Zion Hill Baptist Church. She leaves behind her husband, Rex Garon; two daughters and sons-in-law, Tawana and E.D. Purvis, Connie and Billy Ray Bankston; son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Brenda Hoover. Helen was adored by her two supportive granddaughters, Leslie Bankston and Dana Carpenter along with thirteen other grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her step children and spouses, Dale, Peggy, Lori, Richard and his wife Monette, Timmy and his wife Laura, Duane and his wife, Vicki Garon. She will be sadly missed by her only surviving sister, Elizabeth ?Sis? Owens Burrow along with numerous nieces, nephews and friends. Helen was preceded in death by her first husband, Willie E. Hoover; parents, Jim and Bessie Owens; sisters , Bessie Owens and Ora Stewart Zimmerman; brothers, Smiley and Oscar Owens. Pallbearers will be her grandsons, Brad and Chad Purvis, Jacob and Brent Bankston and Scott and Jim Hoover. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from Old Zion Hill Baptist Church, Friday, February 15th at 11:00 a.m. The family requests that visiting hours be observed at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond Thursday night beginning at 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will continue at the church on Friday from 8:00 a.m. until the religious service time of 11. Rev. Charles Reitz and Rev.

Mitch Williams will conduct the services and interment will be in the church cemetery. The family would like to say "thank you" to Dr. Kozel, Dr. Fields, Dr. Oubra and Dr. Kidd for their kindness and care during Helen's illness. They would especially like to thank Metro Home Health Services for their dedication and thoughtfulness to Helen. Condolences and other information available online at [www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com) Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.