



## Irma Coates

June 24, 1918 - June 28, 2009

Irma Coats Coates Age 91, a native of Springfield and longtime resident of Pumpkin Center, Irma Coates, passed away on Sunday, June 28, 2009 at North Oaks Medical Center. She was a 1936 graduate of Ponchatoula High School and a member of Jerusalem Baptist Church. A loving mother and grandmother, she had a passion for travel. Ms. Coates leaves behind two daughters, Betty Stewart and husband Roy Harris of Pumpkin Center, Judy Hooter and husband Kirby of Ponchatoula; two sons, Jerry Coates of Pumpkin Center, and Billy Coates and wife Donnis of both Denham Springs, Louisiana and DeBecque, Colorado. She is also survived by twenty grandchildren, forty great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren. Preceding Ms. Coates in death were her husband, Willard Coates, grandson, Paul Coates and sisters, Geraldine Anderson and Hilda Couch. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home on Tuesday, June 30, 2009 at 11:30 a.m., with visitation beginning at 9:00 a.m. The services will be conducted by Rev. Randall Pike and assisted by Rev. Mike Vaughn. Interment will follow in Jerusalem Baptist Church Cemetery. The family sends their sincerest appreciation to Ms. Coates' caregivers, Fran Smelser and Agnes Badon for their outstanding care and devotion. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Jerusalem Baptist Church-11109 Jerusalem Church Rd. Hammond, LA 70403. Condolences and other information are available online at [www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com) Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G.

Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.