

## Mary Maxine Avery

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SHREVEPORT, LA- Services for Mary Maxine Avery, 84, will be held at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at Rose-Neath Marshall Street Chapel. Officiating will be Rev. Andrew Stoker, PhD, associate pastor of First United Methodist Church of Denton, TX. Interment will follow in Lakeview Memorial Gardens, Oil City, LA.

Visitation will be 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Maxine was born March 13, 1923 in Haynesville, LA and passed away Thursday, February 28, 2008, at her residence. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Shreveport. Maxine worked for Holsum Bread, Arkansas Fuel Oil Company and retired as a Lab Technician from the Shreveport Water Department after many years of service. She was a member of the Highland Ladies Garden Club, the Restoration Association, the Friendly Circle of Noel Memorial United Methodist Church, Welcome Shreveport/Bossier Newcomers and a former member of the Board of the Shreveport Credit Union.

Her parents, John and Bertie Gandy Shafer; sister, Octavia Pill and brothers, Johnny, Roy and Howard Shafer, preceded Maxine in death.

Left to cherish beautiful memories are her sister-in-law, Norma Shafer of Decatur, AL; nieces, Elizabeth Callahan of Katy, TX, Dottie LaForge of Oil City, LA and Moretta Stelly of New Iberia, LA; nephews, George Shafer of Shreveport, LA, Jim Shafer of Angleton, TX and John Shafer of Dallas, TX; and two special friends, Agnes Henley and Audrey Berry.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Eternal Flame Foundation at First United Methodist Church, 500 Common Street, Shreveport, LA 71101.

**Rose-Neath Funeral Home  
Marshall St. Chapel 222-0348**