



Merlene Hartley

May 7, 1937 - February 13, 2011

Merlene Hartley, 73, of Carthage passed away at 2:10 a.m. Sunday, February 13, 2011 at Carthage Health and Rehab. Merlene was born May 7, 1937 in Meritt, MO. She was the daughter of Homer A. Gilliam and Hazel E. Hawkins. Merlene was a long time resident of Carthage. She was the owner of Merlene's Beauty Salon in Carthage. Merlene graduated from Webb City High School in 1955. She enjoyed arts and crafts, especially floral design. Merlene married John David Hartley in Webb City on April 24, 1959. He survives.

Other survivors include one daughter; Terri Drenick and her husband John of Pittsburg, KS, three brothers; Marvin Gilliam and wife Violet of Monett, Carl Gilliam and wife Sue of Webb City and Howard Gilliam and wife Nancy of Webb City, one grandson, Shane Drenick and one granddaughter, Haley Drenick. Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 17, 2011 at Park Cemetery in Carthage. Visitation will be 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Ulmer Funeral Home. Contributions may be made to the Salvation Army in care of the Ulmer Funeral Home.