

RITA LELIA DAVIS WADE



Rita Lelia Davis Wade, 92, was received home by her Lord and Savior June 21. She was born June 26, 1925 to the late Senator Thomas H. Davis and Lelia Davis. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and friend. Her greatest joy came from her love for the Lord and having her home filled with her family. She was a lifelong resident of Hilliard, and a member of First Baptist Church of Hilliard. Along with her parents, sisters, and brother she was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Garland H. Wade.

She is survived by her children Russell (Debbie) Wade, Tom Wade, Mike Wade, Judy (Carrol) Franklin, and Mark (Janice) Wade; grandchildren Sean Wade, Mandy Lenertz, Tara Wade (Greg), Dana Wade (Chris), Blair Wade, Garrett Franklin, Greg Franklin and Joshua Wade; four great-granddaughters; special niece Vivian Armstrong; and many other nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services were held Sunday, June 24 at the First Baptist Church of Boulougne with Pastor Paul Lucas officiating. The family received friends prior to the service. Burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery in Hilliard.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements were under the direction of Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home in Folkston.