

Theresa Prater "Aunt Ty" Abernathy

Services for Theresa Prater "Aunt Ty" Abernathy were at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 4, 2007 at Muse Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Davy Hobson and Roy Bowman officiating. Burial followed in Muse Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Bailey & Foster Funeral Home, Palestine.

Mrs. Abernathy died Sunday at East Texas Medical Center in Tyler.

She was born Sept. 2, 1945 in Slocum to Fred D. and Una Mae Averitte Prater.

Mrs. Abernathy was the past vice president of the First State Bank of Rusk, and also worked Southern Cherokee Federal Credit Union. She was a member of the Muse Missionary Baptist Church where she served as the church clerk for 30 years and taught the tiny tots Sunday school

class.

Mrs. Abernathy was preceded in death by her father.

She is survived by her husband of 35 years, Charles Abernathy; her mother, Una Mae Averitte Prater; a son, Andy Abernathy and wife Karen, all of Slocum; sisters, Freida Evans and husband John of Salmon, Rita "Butch" Hilliard of Slocum; three grandchildren, Lindzey, Andrew and Gracie; and a god-grandson, Justin Jones.

Pallbearers were Joe Don Abernathy, Jim Dan Abernathy, Mike Abernathy, John David Evans, William Hilliard and Scott Hilliard. Honorary pallbearers were Brad Hicks, David Hicks, Earnie Powell, Wesley Porter, and the deacons of Muses Missionary Baptist Church: Nathan Dyess, Jamie Hogan and Boyd Ray.