



## Mrs. Maxine Thelma Cowherd

June 16, 1923 - January 13, 2012

Maxine T. Cowherd, third child of Tull and Mary Eva Johnson, was born on June 16, 1923 in Wetumka, Oklahoma and passed from this life to be with the Lord on Friday, January 13, 2012. Maxine was the wife of James Walter Cowherd, and mother of three children, a son, Jimmy Dan, and is survived by twin daughters, Jane Redels and husband, Dr. Lynn Redels of Hallsville, Texas, Jean Dugger and husband, Dr. John Dugger of Anadarko, Oklahoma, two granddaughters, Jennifer VanBuskirk and husband Jonathan of Royce City, Texas, and Rebecca Faske and husband James of Austin, Texas, two grandsons-James Albert and fiance Aimee Carter of Washington D.C. and Michael Albert and wife Christy of McKinney, Texas, four great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Valedictorian of her senior class at Bearden High School in Wetumka, OK, Maxine became an elementary school teacher during World War II, after her marriage to James W. Cowherd (Affectionately known as Walter) in 1941. Maxine worked in retail accounting in Sacramento, California while her husband was serving in the Army Air Corp in the Philippines and New Guinea. Upon Walter's return from the war, they lived in Weleetka, Oklahoma and then Mid West City, Oklahoma until 1956. Traveling to Tachikawa AFB, Japan for Walter's civil service career, they lived in Japan for four years, during which time they met lifelong friends, Ed and Nelene Jones of Lompoc, California. Returning to the States in 1960 to Lompoc, California, Maxine and the family became members of the Lompoc Church of Christ where many dear friends were made. Maxine began her civil service career in

1961 at Vandenberg AFB near Lompoc California. A person of particular detail, this trait served her well as award winning historical secretary for the 1st Strategic Aerospace Division Historical Branch. Retiring in 1985 from her civil service career, Mazine's interests included watching the Lakers Basketball games, crocheting intricate doilies and impressive afghans and RV traveling across the United States and Canada with her sister and brother-in-law, Mildred and Bill Mark of Wetumka, Oklahoma. She truly enjoyed the beauty of the Lord's creation in these many travels and throughout her life. Maxine moved back to Wetumka, Oklahoma in 2005 where many friends from her early years reside, and then making new friends in Shawnee, Oklahoma in 2007 where she resided until her death. She was preceded in death by her parents, Tull and Mary Eva Johnson, her husband, James Walter Cowherd, one son, Jimmy Dan Cowherd, two sisters, Christine Cowherd and Mildred Mark and one brother, Carl Johnson. Services for Maxine Cowherd will be held for family and friends at Smith Funeral Home Chapel in Anadarko, Oklahoma at 1:00 P. M. on Thursday, January 19, 2012 with graveside services in Lompoc, California. CORRECTED OBIT

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“ We enjoyed Maxine so much when she would visit with Mildred and Bill and after she moved to Wetumka with Mildred. We are so glad they had each other as long as they did. She and Mildred were two great friends.

*From C.E. and Pat*

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**C.E. and Pattie Atchley** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM