

Mrs. Blanche Smithson, 83, Redkey, widow of Ross Smithson, died late Monday at the Randolph County Nursing Home at Winchester.

Born in Jay County on July 17, 1895, her parents were Lou and Martha Jane (Hastings) Caylor.

Surviving are one son, Dwain Smithson, Union City; two brothers, Donald Caylor, Redkey and Paul Caylor, Fort Myers, Fla.; and one sister, Mrs. Schknow (Mildred) Imes, Redkey.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 1:30 pm at Jones Mortuary in Redkey. Rev. Frank Voss will officiate and interment will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery.

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