



## Mrs. Johnnie Ruth Wilson

October 31, 1930 - August 24, 2015

Funeral services for Mrs. Johnnie Ruth Wilson, 84, of Carthage, Texas will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 29, 2015 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Dale Reed officiating. Burial will follow at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in the Halbert Cemetery in Milam, Texas. Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Friday night at Hawthorn Funeral Home. Mrs. Johnnie Wilson died August 24, 2015 in Carthage, Texas.

Mrs. Johnnie Ruth Johnson Wilson was born October 31, 1930 in Logansport, Louisiana. She was the youngest of two children born to the marriage of William Pearl and Ethel Barnett Johnson. Johnnie was a graduate of Carthage High School with the class of 1949. She married Melvin Maurice Wilson and they remained devoted for 42 years until he preceded her in death in 1994.

Mrs. Wilson began a career with Southern Bell Telephone as an operator. She was promoted to repair clerk, then deskman and finally a lineman before her retirement after 30 years of service, and was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. Johnnie loved her flower garden, crafts, sewing, travel, and her involvement in the Golden Aires, Order of the Eastern Star, and the Carthage Missionary Baptist Church. She is also preceded in death by her parents, brother, W. P. Johnson, Jr.

Mrs. Wilson is survived by her devoted daughters, Ann Davis of Carthage and La Nell Kelley and husband Jimmy of Greenwood, Louisiana, grandchildren, Misty Armstrong and husband Gary of Carthage, Mindy Halcumb and husband Bryce of Carthage, Kim Kelley and Chuck Christian of Grapeland,

Jason Paul Kelley of Austin, ten great grandchildren and one great great grandchild, Numerous other relatives and a host of friends. The family wishes to thank the Briarcliff Skilled Nursing Center and Heartsway Hospice for their excellent care.

Serving as pallbearers will be Bryce Halcumb, Branton Halcumb, Gary Armstrong, Ranzy Armstrong, Clint Woodcock, Jason Kelley, Tim Burr, Chuck Christian. Honorary pallbearers will be, Dal Bounds, Walter Craft, B.H. Price and Jerry Paul Burrow. An online guestbook may be signed at [www.hawthornfuneralhome.com](http://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Halbert Cemetery

Milam, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 28.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home  
307 West Wellington Street  
P.O. Box 188  
Carthage, TX 75633  
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## Service

**AUG 29.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

## Service

**AUG 29.** 2:00 PM.

Graveside



# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Johnnie Ruth Wilson.*



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August 28, 2015 at 05:37 PM



“ *It was an honor to get to know Ms. Johnnie and a privilege to have her in our "Bingo" group. My condolences and prayers for the family.*

*Dee Frazier  
Activities  
Briarcliff SNF*

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**Dee Frazier** - August 28, 2015 at 01:39 PM



“ *Mindy and family,  
So sorry to hear about the death of Mrs. Johnnie. She was a fun person. Cherish her sweet memories. We will be praying for you during this time and in the days to come.  
With our love,  
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy, Lance and Lara Kate  
Proverbs 17:17*



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**Jerry D Dorman** - August 26, 2015 at 01:02 PM