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## **Lena Belle Jones**

RANGER - Lena Belle Jones, 99, died Thursday in an Eastland hospital.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. today at Edwards Funeral Home with the Revs. Jerry Speer and Elizabeth Kugel officiating.

Mrs. Jones was born in McKinney in 1899 to James Lafett Herrell and Clara Johnson *Gierhart* Herrell. Lena's siblings were Jennie, Ed, Ray, Nila and J.D. Herrell. She moved to Ranger in 1917. She worked for the Ranger Telephone Company, and also for the Social Science Laboratories and Gerald Dugan Gulf Corporation. She married Thelbert Duffer Jones on Sept. 24, 1922 in Eastland County. They were blessed with three children, James Otis, Nelma Jean and Jerry Jones.

She lived in the Brownwood area for several years where her husband was in the ranching business. She returned to Ranger in 1941. She was a member of the Mesquite and Rusk Streets Church of Christ and The Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include one son, James Otis Jones of Ranger; and one daughter, Nelma Jean Ratliff of Ranger.