Ruby Jean (Perkins) Matney

“Our beautiful mother’s time with us seemed all to brief. She followed the path God laid for her. She took his hand and he has set her free”

Her Legacy...Ruby Jean began her journey in Sturkie, AR, born to William & and Imogene Matney. As a child she traveled with her parents, never staying long in one place. In 1950, she settled in Oroville and married William Perkins. At 17 years old she started working at Stockley Van De Camp / Pacific Coast Produce, retiring 30 years later. She was proud to be one of the first women fork lift operators. In 1983, she moved to AR to be close to her parents and remained there until August 2008, when she was diagnosed with cancer. She traveled back to Oroville, where she spent the last part of her journey with family.

Her Family... She was a strong, caring, humorous woman with a beautiful smile. She will be missed by her children Donald, Debbie, Crystal and husband Tony, Angie and Todd. She will be watching over her grandchildren: Kevin, Tyonna, Jeromy, Shawn, Lindsey, Ryan, Troy, Dale, Chris, Michelle, Randy, Christopher, Nicole, Marty, Franky and 19 great grandchildren, life long friends Ety and Tina, extended family, and friends and beloved dogs. Waiting to welcome her home was her son Randy, father, mother, sister Hazel, brother Donald and grandson Dwayne. Ruby Jean is now at home.

Her Farewell Service ...A Memorial Service will be held at Ramsey Funeral Home on Friday Jan. 30, 2009 at 3:00 pm at 1175 Robinson Street Oroville, CA. Reception will follow at her home on Nash Lane. Memorial contributions can be made to the Humane Society.