Her Legacy...Shirley Gayle Able, 68, of Palermo, was born July 26, 1940 in Dolomite, Alabama to Walter Levi Watts and Minnie Esther Pearl. She passed away February 9, 2009 in Oroville. She attended Biggs High school and Oroville High and also attended Hartnell College. Shirley worked as a substitute teacher and in the family business for years. She loved gardening, sewing, painting and time with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. A big part of Shirley’s life was helping her husband start and grow a successful plumbing company in Monterey County, along with raising her four active children. Church, little league and other volunteer activities made her life full and she has loved watching the process repeat itself with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Shirley will be remembered as “Mamma”, a loving mother, sister, daughter, grandmother, great grandmother and loyal friend.

Her Family...Shirley married her Husband, Lee Pope Able in 1961 and lost him to a long battle with cancer in 1983. She is survived by her loving partner of 14 years, Ray Wheeler of Palermo. Shirley is also survived by her son Richard (Debbie) Benson of King City, CA, daughter Alicia Pelletreau of Oroville, son Michael (Lynn) Benson, daughter Julianna Able Conner of Ukiah, CA. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Nathan, Bryant, Dustin, Jennifer, (Chris), Jessica (Chue), Michelle (Timmy), Cynthia (Bob), Andrew, Heather, Jason (Cecilia), Aaron (Tina) and Jonathan. Sister, Gay Nell Hollin of Bay Port, MI and brother Terry Watts of Lincoln, CA.

Her Farewell Service ...There will be a Memorial Service Monday, February 16, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at Ramsey Funeral Home, 1175 Robinson St. in Oroville. There will be a reception announcement at the conclusion of the service. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home, 530 534-3877.

Please sign their guest book at www.RamseyFuneralHomes.com

© Ramsey Funeral Homes 2007