



Lena Louise Bentley

May 27, 1938 - June 14, 2024

Services for Lena Bentley are pending at Elkin Funeral Service in North Carolina. Local arrangements are under the direction of Wentworth Mortuary, LLC, Carmen.

Lena Louise, daughter of William and Chloe (Dillon) Whitlock, was born May 27, 1938, at Ashland, Kentucky, and passed away peacefully June 14, 2024, at her home in Cherokee, at the age of 86 years and 18 days.

Lena was one of twelve children and was raised in Kentucky. She was united in marriage to Eugene Dempsey Bentley. He preceded her in death November 19, 1994. To this union two children were born: Ralph Wayne and Brenda Lee. Lena was an avid collector of dolls and enjoyed crocheting in her younger years. After her husband passed, she made her home in Cherokee, Oklahoma.

Besides her parents, William and Chloe, she was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene; and eight siblings, Sam Whitlock, John Whitlock, Billy Whitlock, Lewis Whitlock, Jim Whitlock, Edna Dickens, Virginia Gullet, and Ruth Haney.

She is survived by her son, Ralph Bentley of Cherokee; her daughter, Brenda Bentley of West Virginia; her grandsons, Allen Bentley and wife, Shannon,

and Dewayne McSorley and wife, Sara, all of Jonesville, North Carolina; her brothers, Dewey Whitlock and Charles Whitlock, and Bob Whitlock and wife, Linda, all of Ashland, Kentucky; and her precious dog, M.J.; other relatives and friends.