



Merle Lambert Thorpe,

January 7, 2011

Merle Lambert Thorpe, Sr., 84 of Mt. Jackson, died Thursday, January 6, 2011 at Skyline Terrace Nursing Home in Woodstock. Mr. Thorpe was born June 16, 1926 in Mt. Jackson, son of the late Charles Harry Thorpe, Sr. and Ethel Irene Lambert Thorpe. He retired from Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative after 47 years. He was a member of Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church and a charter member of Mt. Jackson United Methodist Men's Club. He is survived by his wife, Dolly Catherine Rupert Thorpe whom he married December 21, 1945. He is also survived by two daughters, Judy T. Dove and Dale L. Hepner and husband Tommy all of Mt. Jackson; two sons, Merle L. Thorpe, Jr. and wife Sharon of Mt. Jackson and Tony W. Thorpe and wife Karen of Woodstock; five grandchildren, Christopher M. Dove, Lora L. Kagey, Jenny L Harman, Nicole L. Thorpe and Marci L. Mullins; five great grandchildren, Brayden Dove, Lacey Kagey, Leigha Kagey, Lukas Kagey and Bryce Mullins. The funeral will be Monday at 11 a.m. at the Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church in Mt. Jackson with the Rev. Ken DeWitt officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Jackson Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Warren Hepler, Brian Hepler, Bill Ryan, Doug Estep, Sr., Wayne Shaffer and Joe Williams. The family will receive friends Sunday from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Dellinger Funeral Home in Mt. Jackson. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church Community Electric Help, P.O. Box 27, Mt. Jackson, VA 22842.