Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 at Lebanon's Partlow Funeral Chapel for Mrs. Edna Gannon Forbes, 77, of the Shop Springs Community. A 1953 graduate of Watertown High School and the first director of Wilson County's E-911 service, she died Feb. 13, 2013 at her residence.

She was retired after 36 years with South Central Bell prior to taking on her duties with E-911 and was a member of Bethel Church of Christ for 59 years. Her love was her family, work and quilting. Born Feb. 21, 1935, Mrs. Forbes was the daughter of the late Jennie Laine and Murfree Gannon.

The family will receive friends Friday from 11 a.m. until the funeral. Services will be conducted by Rev. Leon White and Bro. Howell Todd. Interment will follow at the Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Survivors include: her husband of 60 years Sam Forbes; daughters Ginny (John) Laudeman and Cindy (Bart) Brown, son Mike (Melinda) Forbes and family member Roy Sweet.

Also surviving is sister Virginia Shipp; grandchildren Crystal Crockett Shields, Brittany Crockett Waring, Kyle Forbes, Nick Forbes and Hannah Forbes; great, grandchildren Shepherd and Olivia Shields; step grandchildren Troy, Carter and Eli Hartzell and caregivers Meghann Knopp and Alice Hullett.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Forbes is also preceded in death by siblings William, Doyle, Roy and Lynn Gannon, Gladys Riley, Thelma Cotrell and Patsy Reed.

Active pallbearers: Kyle Forbes, Nick Forbes, Thomas Shields, Blake Waring, Russell Scales and Bill Piercey. Honorary: Kenneth Anderson and Shop Springs Community, friends and patrons of Country Quilt Store of Shop Springs and Bellsouth Telephone Pioneers of Lebanon.

Arrangements by Lebanon's Partlow Funeral Chapel.