MS. THELMA JANE MILLER SIMS was born in Sumter County, Georgia on July 29, 1935, to the parentage of the late Mr. Rufus Miller and the late Ms. Angie Schley Evans. She received her education in the Sumter County Schools and was a graduate of Staley High School. At an early age, she joined the Lebanon Baptist Church, where she served until her health failed. She was employed at Scott Bedding and Davidson Rubber Company until she retired.

She is preceded in death by two sons, Robert Sims and Willie James Sims; a grandson, Brandon Sims; and a brother, Joe Miller.

She leaves to cherish her memories four sons: Mr. Larry Sims, Mr. Henry Lee Sims, Jr., Mr. Timothy (Levon) Sims, all of Americus, GA and Mr. Eddie (Monique) Sims, McDonough, GA; two daughters, Mrs. Ann (Roger) Jackson and Ms. Sharon Deriso, both of Americus, GA; a sister-in-law, Ms. Louise Miller; two granddaughters, she raised as her own: Renea Johnson, Perry, GA and Jakeria Deriso, Americus, GA; a host of other grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.