

**OB - Stella J. Tanner Anderson**

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Stella J. Anderson, 79, of Spencer, died Thursday, May 27, 2010 at CAMC General Hospital, Charleston after an extended illness.

She was born in Spencer, a daughter of the late Elbert Madison and Cleora Starcher Tanner. She was a homemaker. She was a former employee of the Hughes Drug Store fountain, and a former member of the Linden Homemakers Club. She was also a member of Spencer Advent Christian Church, American Legion Post 21 Auxiliary and the Roane County Historical Society.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Rev. Willis E. Anderson of Spencer; children, David H. Anderson of Walton, Marlena Anderson Daily of Savannah, Ga., Jerry Willis Anderson of Peniel and Lena Mae Burgess and Barbara S. DeWeese, both of Spencer; a sister, Helen Howard of Reedy; 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, six step-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Frances Waybright; and brothers, Hershel and Arlie Tanner.

Service was Sunday at John H. Taylor Funeral Home, with Rev. Garry L. Bowen officiating. Burial was in Spencer Memorial Cemetery. Condolences may be expressed online at [taylorfuneralhomeinc.com](http://taylorfuneralhomeinc.com).

Stella was a long-time member of the Roane County Historical Society, Inc. We extend our sincere sympathy to her husband, Willis, and family.