Love The Lord, Work Hard Is Her Secret



ENJOYS LIFE AT 93-Mrs. Essie Hammett celebrated her 93rd birthday Sunday with her family and friends at 712 Linwood Road. "Miss Essie" cut a pink decorated birthday cake for church friends who called during the afternoon.

hard!

That's Mrs. Essie Hammett's secret for

longevity. The well-known Linwood Rusa resident celebrated her 93rd birthday Sunday and well-wishers from the community and her church-Grace United Methodist-joined her at 1:80 p.m. for cutting of a pink and white decorated birthday cake.

Mrs. Hammett, who resides with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D.M. Hammett, had to retire at age 70 because of failing eyesight but her spryness belies her age. She continues to busy herself at home and her memory and hearing is

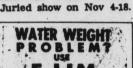
"I expect to live to be 100", she told her visitors, including Mrs. J.E. (Beulah) Mauney, Mr. and

Exhibit Planned

The Third Annual Student Art Exhibit, sponored by the Shelby Art League, is being held in the Shelby Gallery at the Hotel Charles. Beginning on Monday, March 5, it will be on exhibit until Sunday. March 18. It is open to the public from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. weekdays and from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

A reception for the artists will be given on March 11 for Shelby Art League members and friends and family of the artist.

Several other upcoming events scheduled by the Art League include a lecture on March 25 by Clement E. Conger, curator of the White House, who will speak on 'Masterpleces of Americans Diplomatic Reception Rooms"; a lecture on April 22 by Herb Jackson on contemporary art from the artists viewpoint; a Cleveland County artists exhibit on May 13-22; a lecture by Michael Kampens on September 16 on contemporary art from the critics point of view; and the Fifth Annual



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Hammett's son, H.P.

Hammett of Charleston, S.C. and her grandson, Roy Hammett and Hammett, of Kings

Ellison on Sunday af- rear her younger brothers ternoon. Also joining in the and sisters. She was celebration were Mrs. married over 50 years and has lived most of her Mountain.

"I've done some praccitizens and quite a lot of

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy hard work. She helped to sister, age 91, and longevity "runs in the family", according to "Miss Essie."

Mrs. Hammett received married life in Kings some of her favorite giftssweet-smelling perfumes tical nursing for senior and Mrs. Emmett Ross, who has been baking a babysitting in recent cake for "Miss Essie" for 10 children, Mrs. Hammett years", said Mrs. Ham- more than 20 years,

Love the Lord and work Mrs. Plato Heavner, and says she knows all about mett. She has a younger decorated a large, tiered cake with pink roses and topped it with a rocking chair. The numerals 98

were reversed to be 39. "Mama doesn't look and act like she's 93", said her

proud son.
And, "Miss Essie" agrees that she doesn't do a lot of rocking in a rocking

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