Kenneth Earl Acker

JACKSONVILLE -- Kenneth Earl Acker, 70, of Jacksonville died on Aug. 7, 2007 in the Hospice of East Texas facility in Tyler. He was born Nov. 18, 1936 in Maydelle. He attended school from grade school to high school in Maydelle and later attended, Stephen F. Austin University for two years.

Funeral services will be held at Thompson Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, with Bro. George Folmar officiating and Bro. Ken McEachern assisting. Burial will follow at Providence Cemetery.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Ruby Acker and brothers, Dean Acker and C. Nathan Acker.

He served over 35 years as an East Texas law enforcement officer, working for Jacksonville Police Department, Polk County Sheriff's Department and Cherokee County Sheriff's Department.

He married Marva Ault on April 13, 1957 and they had celebrated 50 years together on April 13, 2007.

Survivors include his wife, Marva Acker of Jacksonville; brother, Harold Acker Sr. and sister-in-law, Sylvia Acker of Jacksonville; sister-in-law, Linda Acker of Jacksonville; son, Douglas Acker of Jacksonville; daughters, Donna Prasatik and husband Mitchell Prasatik of Grapeland and Debbie Price and husband Bill Price of Bonham; grandchildren, Kasey Bobbitt and husband Ryan Bobbitt of Grapeland, Mandy Prasatik and Tanner Prasatik of Grapeland; great-grandchildren, Justin Bobbitt and Jason Bobbitt of Grapeland and nieces and nephews and numerous cousins.

Pallbearers will be Harold Acker Jr., Marvin Acker, Nathan Acker Jr., Leland Acker, J.R. Ault and J.T. Lewis. Honorary pallbearers will be Texas law enforcement officers. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that donations be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701.