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**Allen Rites
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Graveside services for John Layland Allen age 61, of Grapeland were held Wednesday, February 2 at Refuge Cemetery with Rick Kelley officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Bailey & Foster, Grapeland.

Mr. Allen died Sunday, January 30, 2000 at his residence. He was born February 26, 1938 in Houston County to the late Johnny Thomas and Donie Huffine Allen. Mr. Allen was a self-employed roofing contractor.

Mr. Allen was preceded in death by his wife Ora Jeanette Allen in November 1999, three sisters Bessie Marie Templeton, Jo Ann Bell and Rebecca Allen, and a nephew Gene O. "Bubba" Allen. He is survived by a step daughter Debbie Randolph of Greenville; four sisters Joyce Reid and Bonnie Overstreet both of Crockett, Cathy Kraus of College Station, and Donnie Sue Baronsky of Houston; two brothers Gene O. Allen and James Allen both of Grapeland; and a special uncle Arvin Lee Huffine.