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BLANCHE AVERY

Mrs. Blanche Avery, age 74 of Austin, passed away Tuesday, January 16, 2001. Ms. Avery was born December 10, 1926 in Pennington and had resided in Austin over 27 years.

Ms. Avery graduated from Pennington High School. She received a degree from the University of Texas in Gerontology. Ms. Avery was a Nursing Home Administrator in Austin.

Survivors include daughters Elizabeth Ann Lee and husband Brent of Lumberton, Mary Jane Al Marabeh and husband Khalit of Austin; brother, Peyton McConnell; six grandchildren Avery Bruce James, Theresa Marie Keesee, Lisa Dinice Mullins, Patricia Ann Gee, Christopher Dan James, Steven Brent Lee; 15 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Ms. Avery was preceded in death by husband Sherman Avery.

Pallbearers were Quinten Shaver, Terrance Maxey, Joshua Bright, Bill Avery, Eddie Merkel, Edward Fish and Daniel Cannon.

Funeral services for Ms. Blanche Avery were held Friday, January 19 at 2pm in the Waller - Thorton Chapel-Groveton with Brother Wilber Hall of the Church of Christ. Interment followed in the Flat Prairie Cemetery.

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