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CHARLES CECIL BARNEY

Mr. Charles Cecil Barney. age 83, retired Realtor and long time resident of Crockett, passed away Saturday, January 28. 2006 in the East Texas Medical Center-Crockett. Mr. Barney was born March 17, 1922 outside Ft. Cobb, Oklahoma to Elvin and Dora Barney. After graduating from Washita High School, he attended Carnegie Jr. College on a basketball scholarship. Mr. Barney was recruited by legendary Coach Henry Iba to play basketball for Oklahoma A&M but World War II intervened and he enlisted in the Army Aircorp, serving more than three years, he was stationed in Calcutta, India where he was a flight engineer for C-47 cargo-transport planes and he flew "the Hump" from India to China.

After his discharge March 8, 1946, he enrolled at Oklahoma A&M where he completed his training as an agricultural instructor. From 1949 until 1964, Mr. Barney and his family lived in Elk City, Oklahoma, where he was the high school vocational agriculture instructor. In 1964, he moved to Crockett and established the United Farm Agency real estate office. Mr. Barney had a deep love for Crockett and East Texas and had a wealth of knowledge about the history of Houston County and the surrounding area, and was an active member of the Crockett Lions Club and the United Methodist Church. Mr. Barney left the real estate business in 1968, and served as the Director of Vocational Programs for the Crockett School District. In the mid 70s, he reopened his own real estate office, C. Barney Co., which later became Century 21 Real Estate. Declining health forced him to retire in 2001.

Mr. Barney was active in community and civic affairs, and was past president of the Crockett Lions Club, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Houston County Board of Realtors and a member of the Texas Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors.

Mr. Barney loved his family and took great pride in their accomplishments and also had a passion for old cars and enjoyed restoring them for many years until his health began to fall.

BULVIVOIS INCIUDE his wife of 22 years, Patsy Barney; son Charles Max Barney and wife Stephanie; daughter Peggy Phillips and husband Grayson; step-sons Randy Johnson and wife Shannon and Ricky Johnson and wife Chris; sister Louise Elliott; brother-in-law Charles Hancock and Marie; grandchildren April Barney, Kristen Williams, Jake Williams, Charles Max Barney, Jr., Cheyenne Cody Barney; step-grandchildren Samantha Woolverton and husband Josh, Julie Johnson, Jimmy Johnson, Grayson Phillips, Jr., Lindsey Wimer and husband Eric, Alli-Phillips; greatgrandchildren Indonesia Barney, Elijah Barney, Alyah Barney, Nicholas Woolverton, Sierra Smith, Jocelyn Wimer; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Preceded in death by his wife of 30 years Doris Hall Barney; and brother Bob Barney.

Memorial services for Mr. Charles Cecil Barney were held Tuesday, January 31, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Jerry House officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Crockett Public Library, 708 E. Goliad, Crockett, TX. 75835.

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