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## Services To Be Held For Aaron Obediah Beene

Funeral services for Aaron Obediah Beene, age 82, of the Hickory Grove community will be held today (Thursday, November 18) in the Muse Baptist Church with Rev. Henry Camp officiating. Burial will follow in Muse Cemetery under the direction of Bailey & Foster.

Pallbearers will be Joe Richard Butler, Larry Butler, Mike Homann, Charles Ortiz, Bobby Beene, and Joseph Heinrich.

Mr. Beene died early Tuesday morning, November 16, 1999, at his residence. He was born on January 28, 1917, in Freestone County, Texas, to William Obediah Beene and Ida Bell Gilliam Beene. Mr. Beene was a veteran of the U.S. military, serving with the 5th Calvary, Company A, the last U. S. Horse Calvary at Fort Clark in Brackettville, Texas. He was a retired plumber with Union Local #68 in Houston. He was a member of the Cade Rothwell Masonic Lodge in Houston and attended the Primitive Baptist Church.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son,

Dixon Franklin Beene, and eighteen siblings.

Survivors include his wife of sixty years, Frances Sheffield Beene of Hickory Grove; four daughters, Stella Butler of Elkhart, Dianna Hokanson and Frances Walther, both of Pearland; Dixie Shepherd of Kenosha, Wisconsin; one son, Aaron Roy Beene of Tucson, Arizona; two sisters, Ruth Sparkman of Teague and Bobbie Pease of Arlington; one brother, Walter N. Beene of Lancaster; sixteen grand-children; fourteen great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.