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Jasper

**DETROY "TROY"  
BENSON**

Mr. Detroy "Troy" Benson, age 74, departed this life on Saturday, July 10, 2004 in St. Luke Hospital in Houston. Mr. Benson was born October 27, 1929 to Frank Benson and Zula Martin Benson. Mr. Benson attended Hopewell School and Mary Allen College. At an early age he became a member of Hopewell Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife Effie D. Benson, of Houston; daughter Roycella Mitchell (Michael Johnson), of Phoenix, Ariz.; three grandchildren Tiffiney Denman Mack (Tevis), David Mitchell (Amber) and Hombre Mitchell (Tasha); seven great-grandchildren Royce, Tevis, Jazmyne, Camile, Tyree, Z'aria and Tatiana; two step-sons Anthony and Theron Denman; three step-daughters Kathy Denman, Diann White and Harriet Smith (Mike); two sisters Margie White (L.T.), of Crockett and Eula Norman (John), of Lufkin; brother O.D. Benson (Rose), of Marlin; and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by his parents Frank Benson and Zula Martin Benson; six brothers Jim, Raymond, Harry, Franklin, Garwell and Severe; three sisters Velma, Mary and Ola; and his son Troy Jr.

Funeral services for Mr. Detroy "Troy" Benson were held Saturday, July 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Henry Lovelady officiating. Interment followed in Jasper Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers were Charles Ellis, Michael D. Moore, Terry Ellis, Randall A. Thomas and Michael Smith.

**Barkley Mortuary**