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## Mildred Bridges

Services for Mildred Jones Bridges, 82 of Grapeland were held on Monday, January 2, in the Grapeland First United Methodist Church with Rev. Richard Debbins and Dr. Jack Shoultz officiating. Burial followed at Parker Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Bailey & Foster, Grapeland.

Pallbearers were Lavon Frisby, Ben Childress, Stanley Skidmore, Dwayne Kendrick, Ronny Bridges, Eddie Bridges and Bryan Childress. Honorary pallbearers will be Lewis Gail Bridges, Sean Oliver, Heath Bridges, Jeff Bridges and George Bartee.

Mrs. Bridges passed away Thursday December 29, 2005 in the Crockett hospital. She was born June 8, 1923 in Houston County to Marshall and Ethel Dickey Jones. She was a homemaker, caregiver and a life-time member of the First United Methodist Church in Grapeland.

She was preceded in death by her parents and first husband Raymond Bridges who died in 1944 and by a brother Troy F. Jones who dies in 1997.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years and ten months, Lewis G. Bridges of Grapeland; son, David Bridges and wife Kathy of Grapeland; daughter, Vernita Hoyt of Spring and son, Ricky Bridges and wife, Shirley of Grapeland; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Other survivors include a sister-in-law, Mollie Jones; two nieces; Linda Skidmore, and Martha Childress both of Grapeland; and aunts, Sylvia Masters of Palestine, and Laudie Chambers of Groves.