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R.B. Collum

LIVINGSTON – Funeral services for R.B. Collum were held Jan. 27, 2008 at Blanchard Baptist Church, with the Rev. Royce Pennington and the Rev. Thomas Dobbs officiating. Burial followed in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Collum died Friday, Jan. 25, at his residence with his family holding him in their hearts.

He was born Nov. 2, 1926 in Miami, Okla., the son of Clarence and Inez Collum, who preceded him in death as well as one sister, Patricia Bellelove.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Norma L. Pruitt Collum; one son and two daughters, Richard B. Collum Jr. and wife Jackie Collum. Quanah L. Clark and Jerry of Blanchard and Deborah J. Wilson of Porter; six grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

He was a faithful member, deacon and Sunday school teacher, being a charter member of Blanchard Baptist Church. He served in World War II and was a Mason and Shriner. He attended Oklahoma Baptist University, worked in the oilfield and later became owner of a Western Auto store, Mexican import store and a Dairy Hut in Oklahoma.

He moved to Blanchard in 1976, where he and Norma operated RB Lake Grocery until 1999. He was known as a great lover of the woods who thought of all of Blanchard territory as his pride and joy. He loved his Indian and Oklahoma heritage, the Lord and his family.