

Grapeland  
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## Saturday Rites Held Here For Mr. Jim Cook

Funeral services for Mr. Jim Cook of Grapeland were held Saturday, September 9, at St. John Baptist Church, Grapeland, with Elder F. L. Mitchell officiating. Interment was in the Old Mt. Zion Cemetery, west of Grapeland, under the direction of Woodley Wheeler/Emanuel Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Gregory Phillips, Andre Willis, Robert Willis Jr., Cedric Fletcher, Delas Lancelin and Clyde Willis. Honorary pallbearers were James Simmons, Jerry Allen, Tally Fletcher, Gerald Fletcher, Raymond Humphries, Ed Westly Phillips, Joe C. Dickerson Sr. and Michael Thomas.

Mr. Jim Cook was born on March 11, 1921, in Grapeland to Fred and Lorena Cook. He departed this life September 2, 2000.

Mr. Cook was preceded in death by his first wife, Thelma James. To that union two children were born: Patricia Ann Cook Flakes, who preceded him in death, and Barbara L. Cook of Houston.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Mayrene Dancer and Ruby Gibson, and two brothers, Edgarstene Cook and F. L. Cook.

Mr. Cook later married Ira L. Johnson. To this union two children were born: Carolyn Cook Simmons of Missouri City and Jim Edward "Bub" Cook of Grapeland.

Survivors include his wife, Ira Lee Cook; three children, Barbara, Carolyn and Jim ("Bub"); a son-in-law, James Earl Simmons; five grandchildren, Renee Flakes, Robert Flakes Jr. and wife Sherri, Tammy Thomas and husband Michael, Roderick Cook and Demetria R. Simmons; five great grandchildren, Patricia, Epiphany, Lynle, Teanna and Roderick Jr.; two sisters, Mattie L. Potts of Missouri City and Lois Wilbert of Houston; one sister-in-law, Ruby Cook of LaMarque; one brother-in-law, J. B. Gibson of Grapeland; one uncle, Jim Evans of Palestine; two aunts, Rena Ross Carr and Eddie Mae of Ft. Worth; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.