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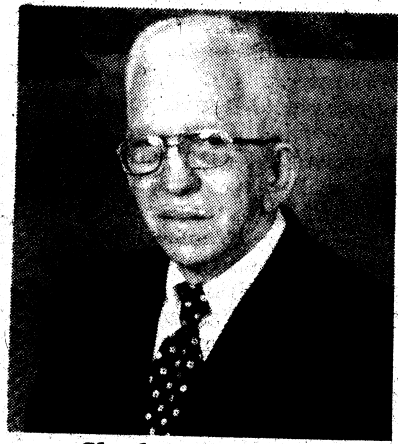
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Charley C. Darsey  
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### Saturday Rites Set For Charley C. Darsey

Charley Combs Darsey, a lifetime resident of Grapeland, local businessman and tireless civic leader, passed away Tuesday afternoon, August 3, after an extended illness.

Memorial services are scheduled for Saturday morning, August 7, at 11:00 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church, Grapeland.

Mr. Darsey, second son of George E. Darsey Jr. and Maggie Combs Darsey, was 72 years of age.

Bailey and Foster is in charge of arrangements.

## Services Held For Charley C. Darsey

Funeral services for Charley Combs Darsey, age 72, of Grapeland were held Saturday, August 7, in Grapeland's First United Methodist Church with Rev. Keith Broyles and Dr. Jack Shoultz officiating. Burial followed in Grapeland City Cemetery under the direction of Bailey & Foster, Grapeland.

Pallbearers were Weldon Kerby, Dan Walling, Dick Murchison, James Hugh Long, Leon Davis, Gary Luker, Bill Long, and Jim Darsey. Honorary pallbearers included the directors of First State Bank, members of the Grapeland Volunteer Fire Department and members of Grapeland Masonic Lodge #473.

Mr. Darsey died Tuesday, August 3, 1999, at his residence in

Grapeland. He was born May 12, 1927, in Houston County to George E. Darsey II and Margaret Josephine "Maggie" (Combs) Darsey. A graduate of Grapeland High School and Texas A&M University, Charley Darsey was a longtime owner of George E. Darsey & Co., a family business. He was a former mayor and city councilman for the city of Grapeland and served for a number of years as a director on the Grapeland Hospital District board. Mr. Darsey was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Grapeland Lodge #473 AF & AM and Grapeland #120 Order of the Eastern Star. He served many years as a member of the Grapeland Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Ser-

vice, a former captain of the EMT's. He and his late wife Ann were the first to be named "Citizens of the Year" by the Grapeland Community Council.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ann Hill Darsey, in 1997 and his parents.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Catherine and Billy Hobson of Grapeland; two sons and a daughter-in-law, George E. Darsey IV of Missouri City, Charley Hill and Tonya Darsey of Grapeland; a sister, Lorena Darsey Taylor of Grapeland; a brother, George Edward Darsey II and wife Dorothy of Dallas; five grandchildren, George Austin and David Eric Darsey, Haley Ann and Linda Brooke Darsey and James Darsey Hobson.