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Elkhart Rites For Mr. Davis

Funeral services for Jaessie William Davis, 48, of Route 2, Elkhart, were held Thursday, October 31, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Palestine, with the Rev. E. J. Brumleu officiating. Final rites were held Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at the graveside in Williamson Settlement Cemetery, under the direction of Hassell & Foster.

A rosary was recited Wednesday, October 30, at 7:30 p.m. in Hassell & Foster Chapel, Palestine, led by Father Brumleu.

Pallbearers were Robert Goodman, Larry Taylor, Alton Doucette, Larry Davis, Buford Buford and David Banks.

Mr. Davis was born February 6, 1926 in Orange County, Texas to the late William Perry Davis and Ollie Hock Davis, and he was pronounced dead on arrival at a Grapeland hospital Tuesday, October 29, at 12:20 p.m. He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Palestine, and of American Legion Post No. 552, of Sheldon, Texas. During World War I, he served in the U.S. Navy from July 15, 1942, until Nov. 21 1945. A heavy duty mechanic, he was last employed by Joopers Industries of Bakersfield, California. He formerly lived in Slocum, and returned to Anderson County in Feb. 1974.

Survivors: wife, Mrs. Henrietta Boudreaux Davis, Elkhart; two sons, William Davis and Grant Davis, both of Elkhart; four daughters, Mrs. Elbert M. (Mary Ellen) Horn of Grapeland, Mrs. Jerry (Jean) Taylor of Slocum, Misses Charlotte, and Cecilla Davis, both of Elkhart; a brother, Harold Davis, of Highlands; four grandchildren, Larry and Glenn Taylor, both of Slocum. Becky and Christy Horn, both of Grapeland, numerous nieces and nephews.

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