

Antrim

Thursday, August 0, 1972

Elkhart Rites For Mrs. Durnell

Mrs. W. R. Durnell

Funeral services for Mrs. W. R. Durnell, 86, of 211 Main St. White Deer, Texas, longtime Elkhart resident, were held Saturday, August 5, at 3:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church, Elkhart, with the Rev. Horace Fletcher officiating. Burial was in the Antrim Cemetery, near Elkhart, under the direction of Hassell & Foster.

Mrs. Durnell, the former Emily Jane Hopper, was born July 23, 1886 in Sherman to the late Millard Fillmore Hopper and Caldonia Miller Hopper and she die Thursday August 3, at 6:35 a.m. in her home following a long illness. She was the widow of Rev. W. R. Durnell, former pastor of the Elkhart First Baptist Church, who preceded her in death in August 1949. Before moving to White Deer in 1970 she was an Elkhart resident for over 50 years, and lived in Waco for 4 years.

Survivors: seven daughters, Mrs. Joe Seltz of White Deer, Mrs. Ray Baker of Skellytown, Mrs. James L. Fisher, Mrs. Joe Anderson, Mrs. Quinn Lansford, all of Houston, Mrs. Frank Hennen of Wylie, Texas and Mrs. Alice Morris of Brownsville, Tennessee; a brother, Watson Hoper of Chico, California, and a sister, Mrs. Myrtle Rayden of Palestine; 13 greandchildren; 21 great grandchildren.

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