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## Rites Held Sunday For Mildred Franklin

Funeral ervices for Mildred Lee Franklin, age 85, of Slocum were held Sunday, February 27, in Bailey & Foster Chapel, Palestine, with Rev. Dean Easterling and Rev. Danny Bowman officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery near Percilla under the direction of Bailey & Foster.

Grandsons serving as pallbearers were Keith Grant, Kevin Grant, Mark Franklin, Chris Franklin, Larry Minter and Brian Brooks.

Mrs. Franklin died early Friday morning, February 25, 2000; at Palestine Regional medical Center. She was born on May 13, 1914, in Elkhart to James Samuel Shaddock and Bessie Marion Griggs Shaddock. Mrs. Franklin was a homemaker and a member of Sand Flat Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Ben Franklin in 1980, a daughter, Bennie Sue Franklin in 1968, and a brother, Byron Shaddock.

Survivors include three daughters, Wynell Grant of Elkhart, Pat Minter of Big Sandy, and Carol Brooks of Lewisville; one son, Sam Franklin of Garland; one sister, Cleo Clark of Wylie; one brother, Burrell Shaddock of Garland; eight grandchildren and seven grant grandchildren.