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JOHN ALLISON FRYE

Mr. John Allison Frye, age 85 of Crockett, passed away Sunday, February 15, 2004 in the Houston County Nursing Home. Mr. Frye was born August 5, 1918 in Houston and played football for Reagan High School. Mr. Frye was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served in the 951 at Field Artillery Battalion in WWII and fought in all battles of the European Theatre. Mr. Frye was owner and operator of Frye Drilling Company at his retirement in 1996. Mr. Frye was the oldest, active Texas water well driller. "When dry, don't cry, call Frye" was his motto. Mr. Frye was also a rancher. Mr. Frye's fondest accomplishment was the erection of a statue honoring his deceased son, Johnny Frye, which is located at Crockett Bulldog Football Stadium.

Survivors include his wife Jeanne Shaver Sims Frye, of Crockett; daughter Janita Griggs and husband Garney, of Houston; grandsons Trey Griggs and wife Blakely, of New York City, John Griggs and wife Cari, of Houston; great-grandchildren Wade and Eliza Griggs, of New York City, Jackson and Lila Griggs, of Houston; step-children Lisa Goodwin, of Arlington, Gary Sims, of San Francisco; sisters Lois Jewell, of Longview, Josephine Broadus, of Schulenburg; sister in law Irene Frye Schroeder, of Brenham; aunt Virginia Tomlinson, of Houston.

Preceded in death by his wife of 50 years Lounita Buttry Frye; son Johnny Frye; and brothers Aubrey Frye and Reggie Frye.

Funeral services for Mr. John Allison Frye were held Tuesday, February 17, at 11:00 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Crockett with Dr. Jerry Neff and Dr. Jerry House officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park in Crockett.

Pallbearers were Dan Julian III, Freddie Knapp, Oberian Lee, Richard Marrs, Don Northcutt, James Ostler, Richard Park, Bryan Steel and Carroll Sullivan.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Moore, Frye, Echols Scholarship Fund, C/O Carol Watson, Rt. 3, Box 623, Crockett, TX. 75835 or First United Methodist Church, Box 984, Crockett, TX.

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