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Services Held For Jess Hamby

Services for Jessie W. "Jess" Hamby, age 86, of Broom city were held Wednesday, March 17, in Bailey & Foster Chapel, Palestine, with the Revs. Donnie Howard, Peggy Edge and Gary York officiating. Burial followed in the Ferguson Cemetery.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Mr. Hamby died early Monday morning, March 15, 1999, at Memorial Mother Frances Hospital, Palestine. He was born April 25, 1912, in Anderson County, to Marshall Luther and Fannie Camp Hamby. Mr. Hamby was retired from Vulkcraft in Grapeland. He was a Baptist.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sons, Charles Richard Hamby, Gary Earl Hamby and Ricky Joe Hamby; and four sisters.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Hazel Hamby of Broom; daughter, Susie Blackmon of Rusk; son, James A. Hamby of Broom City; sisters, Lela Ashley of Palestine, Ethel McCauhy of Cleburne and Hazel Hopper of Palestine; brothers, Charlie Hamby of McDade and Vernon Hamby of Palestine; 19 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren.