Grapeland Messenges - July 1, 1999

Services Held In Palestine For Mary P. Harris

Services for Mary Powell Harris, age 92, of Palestine were held Tuesday morning, June 29, at Bailey & Foster Funeral Home chapel, Palestine, with Dr. Jimmy Tinkle and the Rev. David E. Foster officiating. Burial followed in the Wilson Family Cemetery, off FM-294 east of Slocum.

Great-nephews served as pallbearers. They included John Albert White III, Dohn White, John Everitt, Michael Everitt, William Everitt, Jeffrey Powell, Kelly Powell and Gary Luker.

Honorary pallbearers were James H. Powell II, Gary Mallams, James Lokey, John A. White Jr., William White and

Jerry Powell.

Mrs. Harris died Saturday, June 26, 1999. She was born August 11, 1906, in Hickory Grove to the late Horace Boyd and Addie Wilson Powell. She was an abstractor for a Palestine title company and also worked for Jefry Sadler at Texas Railroad Commission. She was a member of Slocum Union Church and Past Matron of Augusta Chapter #317, Order of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her husband, W. D. "Bill" Harris in 1978; sisters, Lois White, Blanche House and Edley Farmer; a brother, Denver Powell; and a niece, Jo Ann Luker, a former Grapeland resident.

Survivors include two nieces, Henrietta Whipple of Rapid City, South Dakota, and Jeanne Howard of Pensacola, Florida; four nephews, John A. White Jr. Jerry Powell, both of Hickory Grove, William A. White of Monahans, and James H. Powell of Houston; and companion, Joan Thompkins.

If desired, memorials may be made to Slocum Union Church, Rt. 2 Box 2272, Elkhart, TX 75839, or Hospice of East Texas, 309 W. Oak, Palestine, TX 75801.