

Grapeland Messenger

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Palestine Rites For Mrs. Harris

Mrs. Pearl (Other Mama) Harris

Funeral services for Mrs. Pearl (Other Mama) Harris, 87, of 515 S. Magnolia, Palestine, were held Saturday, April 21, at 2:00 p.m. in Hassel & Foster Chapel, Palestine, with the Rev. Lloyd Giles and the Rev. Tom Potts officiating. Burial was in the East Hill Cemetery, Palestine.

Pallbearers: Jack Davis, Donnie Craft, Dave Scoby, Bill Keeling, Benson Davis, and Nelson Alien.

Mrs. Harris the former Laura Pearl Allen, was born May 1, 1885 in Houston County to the late J. L. Allen and Mrs. Texanna Fulgham Allen and she died Thursday, April 19, at 12:35 p.m. in a Palestine hospital following an illness of five weeks. She moved from the Jones Schoolhouse Community of Houston County to Palestine 71 years ago, and was a member of the First United Methodist Church, North American Benefit Association #24 (50 year member), and the Pioneer Club of the NABA,; also a member of the Rebekah Lodge and the Gooch Bible Class. Prior to retiring, she worked as a seamstress for the Wacha Tailor Shop and City Tailor Shop, Palestine. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sam Radford Harris, in 1909.

Survivors: a daughter, Mrs. Don (Sammie Nell) Craft, Palestine; a sister, Mrs. James (Blanche) Morgan of Bartlesville, Oklahoma; three grandchildren, Donnie Craft, Mrs. Jack (Elizabeth Nell) Davis, and Mrs. Dave (Janice) Scoby; 5 great grandchildren.

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