

H.C.C. Thursday - January 18, 1999

DEACON JOHN L. HICKS

Deacon John L. Hicks, age 72, of Houston, passed away Feb. 9 in Houston. Mr. Hicks was born Jan. 1 1927, in Grapeland's Cedar Branch community.

He attended elementary and high school in the Cedar Branch community. He enlisted in the United States Army and served his country faithfully until he was honorably discharged. Bro. Hicks accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Cedar Branch Baptist Church. Later, he moved to Houston and united with Christian Hope Missionary Baptist Church under the auspices of the Rev. H. Stroman. He served on the Deacon Board, in the male chorus and attended Brotherhood. He became a member of a spiritual singing group, The Christian Harmoniers, accompanying his wife by playing the guitar.

Mr. Hicks was preceded in death by his sister, Geneva Gilford and his parents, Alvin Hicks and Rena Gilmore.

Survivors include his devoted wife, Ellen Hicks; three stepsons, six stepdaughters; numerous step-grandchildren; sister Euda Hamilton; sisters-in-law Erma O'Neil and Jouce Elledge; brothers-in-law Vernon and Billy O'Neil and Lee Arthur Hampton.

Funeral services for Deacon

Hicks. were held Feb. 16 at the Christian Hope Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. H. Stroman officiating. Final resting place Houston Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were Deacon William Swanson, Sr., Deacon William Swanson, Jr., Deacon Robert Chatmon, Deacon Robert Dave, Deacon Carl Stewart and Darrell Tillis.

Honorary pallbearers were Lee A. Hicks, Jacob E. Barkley, Daniel Wright and Russell Tillis.

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