Hill Rites Held Saturday

Rev. Wade D. Hill

Funeral services for Rev. Wade D. Hill, 84, of 115 Brierwood Drive, Palestine, formerly of the Sand Springs Community, were held Saturday, January 27, at 10:00 a.m. in Hassell & Foster Chapel, Palestine with the Rev. Lloyd Stewart and the Rev. Chuck Johnson officiating. Burial was in the Providence Cemetery, near Slocum.

Pallbearers were the following grandsons: Sammy Mullican, Pack Watkins, Wayne Johnston, Melvin Ray Hill, Dave Thornhill and Fred Pryor.

Lifelong resident of Anderson County, Rev. Hill was born January 30, 1888 in the Sand Springs community, a son of the late Billy Hill and Mrs. Lydia Hardy Hill. He died Thursday, January 25 at 11:30 a.m. in a Palestine hospital following a brief illness. He resided at Sand Springs until moving to Palestine about 20 years ago. Prior to retiring, he farmed at Sand Springs, and also pastored the Hollman Chapel Baptist Church and Sand Flat Missionary Baptist Church. His wife, Mrs. Cora Pheonix Hill, preceded him in death on April 26, 1960.

Survivors: four sons, R. W. Hill of Dorrance, California; C. E. and O. P. Hill, both of Houston, and the Rev. Oran Hill of Slocum; three daughters, Mrs. Loyd (Alma) Betsill, Mrs. H.E. (Ruth) Moore, both of Palestine, and Mrs. L. P. (Christine) Johnston of Slocum; a sister, Mrs. Susie Hobson of Palestine; 19 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; numberous nieces and nephews.

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