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**BURL THOMAS JOHNSTON**

Funeral services for Burl Thomas Johnson, 90, of Katy, Texas formerly of Groveton, Texas were held Tuesday February 27, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the Schmidt Funeral Home in Katy, Texas with Bro. Lewis Jones officiating. Graveside service were held Tuesday February 27, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at the Magnolia Cemetery in Beaumont, Texas with Bro. Lewis Jones officiating.

Mr. Johnston was born, one of four children, on June 21, 1916 to Tracy Thomas Johnston and Grace West Johnston in Bond, Mississippi and he went go be with his Lord and Savior on Friday February 23, 2007 in Katy, Texas.

In July of 1946 he married Altha Mae Barrett in Huntsville, Texas.

After serving in the US Army during World War II, the couple raised their family in Galena Park, Texas and was member of First Baptist Church until 1986. He was a charter member of Pipe Fitters L. U. 211 and retired from Petro-Tex Chemical Company in 1986. Upon retirement, he and Altha moved to Nogales Prairie, Texas where they became members of the First Baptist Church of Groveton, Texas. In 2002 they moved to Katy, Texas.

During his lifetime Burl's greatest pleasures included reading his Bible daily and working in his garden. He was an avid fan of the Katy Tigers football program where his son Mike coached.

Survivors include his wife Altha Johnston; children Mike and Donna Johnston of Katy, Texas and Steve and Judy Johnston of Houston, Texas; grandchildren Russ Johnston, Paul and Shelby Johnston, Staci Anderson, Kyle Johnston, Dr. Chad and Deetra Hammett; and five great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of Groveton, P. O. Box 306, Groveton, TX 75845-0306

Schmidt Funeral Home of Katy, Texas in charge of arrangements.