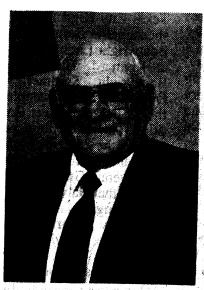
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GENE JOHNSTON

Mr. Gene Johnston, age 74, of Belott, passed away Friday, April 6, 2001 at his residence. Mr. Johnston was born June 6, 1926 in Pearland and had resided in Belott for the past 20 years previously living in Pearland. He was a rice farmer in Pearland and a cattle rancher in Belott. Mr. Johnston was a member of the Pearland Lions Club, a lifetime member of the Pearland Volunteer Fire Department, a member of the Rice Growers Association, and had served as Brazoria County Drainage Commissioner. He served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army during World War II. Mr. Johnston was also a member of the First Baptist Church in Crockett. He was an avid gardener and a Little League coach in Pearland for many years.

Survivors include wife of 53 years, Margie Johnston of Belott; daughters, Margene Stack and husband, Bobby Stack of Pleasant View, Tn.; and Linda McKeon and husband, Dennis of Houston; son, Willie Johnston and wife, Lori of Belott; grand-children, Ryan Stack, Kristen Stack, Landon Stack,

McKeon, Damian Alicia Filley and husband, Mark. Christina Catalano and husband. Gerry, Teresa McKeon, and Emma Johnston: great-grandchildren, Collin and Aidan Filley; sister. Lorraine Crouch of Belott: brothers, H.D. "Buck" Johnston and A.O. "Tunny" Johnston, both of Pearland; and numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Mr. Johnston was preceded in death by his daughter, Jeanine Johnston; mother, Thelma Johnston; and father, H.C. "Tud" Johnston.

Funeral services for Mr. Johnston were held Monday, April 9 at 10 a.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel. Interment followed in the New Energy Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, Crockett

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