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Mt Zion

**RUBY FAYE JOHNSON
"RUFAYE" JONES**

Miss Ruby Faye Johnson "RuFaye" Jones, age 60, passed away Thursday, January 6, 2005. Miss Jones was born March 28, 1944 to the parentage of the late Thurman Johnson and Elzada Johnson, she was a native of Grapeland and a resident of Houston.

Miss Jones attended the purple and gold of W.R. Banks in Grapeland and was proud to say, "I'm a Tiger". Miss Jones confessed her life to Christ at an early age and united with Greater New Hope Baptist Church in Grapeland. Miss Jones moved to Houston and united with Sunlight Baptist Church where she was a faithful member for twenty years.

Miss Jones in 1960 united in Holy Matrimony with Edward Everett Shepherd. To this union, three loving children were born. Later she married Milton David Jones.

Survivors include her three children Edward Derrick Shepherd (Lynn), of Jacksonville, Fla., Anthony Gabriel Shephard, of Crockett and Tami LaShon Shephard (Victor Simon), of Latexo; six grandchildren Anthony "Tony" Shephard II, of Crockett, Edward "Lil Derrick" Shephard II, Sierra and Tierra Shephard, all of Jacksonville, Fla., Victor "Lil Earl" Simon and LaDerika Simon, both of Latexo; eight brothers and sisters Laura Mae Hicks (Lonzo), of Rusk, Nathaniel Johnson, Sr. (Willie Mae), Doris Cella Calhoun, Crevesta Johnson and Gene Johnson (Mary), all of Houston, Frank Shedrick Johnson (Barbra), of Missouri City, Michael Wayne Johnson and Glenda Johnson, of Houston; two aunts Fannie Mae Jackson and Ellen Wynn, both of Houston; two uncles Wesley (Jessie Mae) and Frank Taylor, both of Houston; a very special friend Willie Lee Lewis; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by her parents Thurman Johnson and Elzada Johnson; two infant siblings.

Funeral services for Miss Ruby Faye Johnson "RuFaye" Jones were held Sunday, January 16, at 2:00 p.m. at Sunlight Baptist Church in Houston with Rev. C.L. Harvey officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers were Adwin Shepherd, Byron Shepherd, David Joseph, Johnathon Johnson, Thurman Johnson, Lester Shepherd, Michael Shepherd, Tramaine Manos, Shedrick Johnson and Jason Shepherd.

Honorary Pallbearers were Victor Earl Simon, Anthony G. Shepherd, Frank Johnson, Michael Johnson, Edward D. Shepherd, Willie Lee Lewis, Crevesta Johnson, Nathaniel Johnson and Gene Johnson.

Barkley Mortuary