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June 3, 2001

WELDON BLAND KERBY

Funeral services for the Rev. Weldon Bland Kerby, age 88, of Grapeland were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 2 at First Baptist Church Grapeland with the Rev. David Bradley and the Rev. Kenneth Mobley officiating. Burial followed at 3 p.m. in the Osage Cemetery in Coryell.

The Rev. Kerby died Wednesday morning, May 30, 2001 in Grapeland. He was born Aug. 18, 1912 in Osage to Carlos Leland and Elara Bland Kerby. The Rev. Kerby was a retired Baptist minister. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Grapeland and a 50-year member of Lometa Lodge A.F. and A.M. #514. Before his call to the ministry he was manager of a drug store. The Rev. Kerby was a Baptist minister for 61 years, which included Bedias, Buckeye, E.M., Tucson, Az., Copernicus Cove, Lometa, Sugarland, Somerville, Vidor, Henderson, Grapeland, and Houston. The Rev. Kerby retired from the ministry and was Interim Pastor at churches Porter Springs, Pearson Chapel, Georgia Camp, San Pedro, Turnersville, Pearl, Osage, Pearland, and several others.

Survivors include a daughter, Frances Mason and husband, Jack of Georgetown; two sons, Weldon Kerby and wife, Sandra of Grapeland and James Sidney Kerby and wife, Lauren of Tyler; a sister, Janell Berrett of Dallas; three brothers, Billy Kerby and wife Emilyn of North Carolina, C.L. Kerby and wife, Helen of Texas City, and Ray Kerby and wife, Frances of Waco; nine grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Kerby was preceded in death by his wife, Lela Barnett Kerby; and his parents.

Pallbearers were Jeff Kerby, Wayne Mahaffey, Cary Mason, Kelly Mason, Willard Teel, Scott McGehee, Jeff Reynolds, and Darrell Pamplin.

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