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CARL DAYTON MAPLES

Mr. Carl Dayton Maples, age 82 of Crockett, passed away Thursday, April 7, 2005 at his residence. Mr. Maples was born July 7, 1922 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fields Maples in Lovelady and had lived in Crockett for most of his lifetime.

In September of 1942, he went to the U.S. Army and entered into active service on October 8, 1942 from Houston. Mr. Maples' military occupational specialty was an ambulance driver and served in New Guinea and Southern Philippines. Mr. Maples' decorations and citation includes American Theater, Asiatic Pacific Theater, Philippine Liberation, Good Conduct Medal and Victory Medal. While he was serving our country he was known as "Tex Maples" and was very proud to serve his country.

Mr. Maples was discharged on December 26, 1945. On June 3, 1948 he married Bernice Ivins, and out of that happy and wonderful union they had five beautiful children and are blessed with 10 wonderful grandchildren and so far, three beautiful great-

grandchildren. In June of 1950, he gave his life to Jesus Christ and was baptized at Weldon in the Goodrum's pond where Bernice was also baptized in 1941. Mr. Maples had retired from Mobil Oil where he worked as an operator and attended the Latexo

Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife of 57 years Bernice Maples, of Crockett; children Carl Steven Maples and wife Timmie, of Pasadena, Shirley Burriss, of Woodlake, Danny Maples and wife Cindy, of Pasadena, Randy Maples, of Pearland and Linda Murff and husband Stan, of Crockett; grandchildren Robert Miles and wife Erika, Jesse Burriss and fiancee Nicole Baker, Nicole Maples, Sarah Maples, Missy Maples, Shea Maples, Nathan Maples, Heath Murff and wife Jessica and Meagan Murff; greatgrandchildren Eddie Cardenas, Allyssa and Audrey Miles; brother Joe Maples, of Love-lady; close friends Ted and Robin Merritt, of Crockett; and many other cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Preceded in death by his parents Albert and Jessie Maples; sisters Louise, Marie, Leona, Ruby Mae and Nell; brother T.J.; and grandson Albert Steven Maples.

Funeral services for Mr. Carl Dayton Maples were held Saturday, April 9, at 2:00 p.m. in the Callaway-Allee Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Jim Grable officiating. Interment followed in the Evergreen Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to charity of choice.

Callaway-Allee Funeral Home