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McDonald Rites Held

Funeral services for Vester Earl McDonald, age 73, of Grapeland were held Wednesday morning, July 26, in the Muse Baptist Church with Rev. Max Smith and Rev. David Franklin officiating. Burial followed in the Muse Cemetery with Masonic graveside services conducted by the Augusta Lodge #93 AF & AM.

Members of the Augusta Lodge served as pallbearers.

Mr. McDonald died Saturday, July 22, 2000, at the East Texas Medical Center Hospital in Athens. He was born in Tom, Oklahoma, and was a son of the late Willis Andrew and Cora Lee Gillis McDonald. Mr. McDonald was a plumber. He was in the Korean conflict while serving in the U.S. Army. Mr. McDonald

was a member of the Sand Flat Baptist Church, the Augusta Lodge #93 AF & AM and Grapeland Lodge #473.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Jones McDonald of Grapeland; daughters, Karen McDonald of Gun Barrel City, Joy Batts of Grapeland; sons, Barry McDonald of Humble, C. R. Chambers of Grapeland and Jerry D. Chambers of Plantersville; two sisters, Edna Brown of Cleveland, Clara Sue Miller of Las Vegas, Nevada; a brother, Marshall McDonald of Tom, Oklahoma; seventeen grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Masonic Home and School in Fort Worth.