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**March 1, 2008**

### **John L. McGowen**

LIVINGSTON – Funeral services for John L. McGowen, 72, of Livingston will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 8, 2008, at Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, with the Rev. Kenneth Darden officiating. Graveside services will follow in Carrington Cemetery in Seven Oaks. Mr. McGowen was born August 27, 1935 in Marston, Texas to Jessie McGowen and Frankie Gibbs McGowen. John died on Feb. 29, 2008 at Lufkin Memorial Medical Center. He was a member of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. McGowen is survived by his devoted wife Tara of Livingston; daughter Shirley and husband Alton Givens, daughter Silvia and husband Paul McKinney of Houston, son Donell and wife Rosa McGowen of Goodrich, son Patrick Green of Corrigan and son Sidney McGowen of Houston; seven stepchildren, Nicole Wyatt of Lufkin, Gabrielle Lewis of Houston, Wade Whitaker, Joe Lewis, Katrina Lewis, Danielle Lewis, and D'Morris Lewis, all of Livingston; two sisters, Jeraldine Leassear and husband Oscar of Houston and Martha McGowen of Houston; one brother, Patrick McGowen of Seven Oaks; one aunt, Mother Laura Gibbs; 11 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many, many friends. Pallbearers will be Donell McGowen, Jr., Bobby Jackson, Jr., Joe Henderson, Patrick McGowen, Brandon McGowen and Darryl Haynes. Honorary pallbearers will be Marcel Thomas, Floyd Carter, Fred Wyatt, Joe King, Luther Jackson and Jeffrey Dunn. Duncan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.