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### JOHN O. MITCHELL

Mr. John O. Mitchell, age 85 passed away Tuesday, May 25, 2004 in Austin. Mr. Mitchell was born June 18, 1918 in Ged, Louisiana. Mr. Mitchell served his country honorably during WWII in the European Theater, returned to settle in Baytown in the mid 1940's where Humble Oil Corporation employed him until 1957. Mr. Mitchell pursued a highly successful career as a State Farm Insurance agent starting part time in 1951 until his retirement in 1985. Mr. Mitchell was a respected member of the business community, was a member of several service clubs and was friend and valued advisor to a great many people including several who started their own successful careers with State Farm upon his guidance and recommendation. Mr. Mitchell's story telling and sense of humor was well known to those around him. Mr. Mitchell's second home and beloved avocation was his cattle ranch near Crockett, where he lived for several years before returning to Baytown. Mr. Mitchell will be greatly missed by his family and friends for whom he showed unconditional love and in turn, they respected and loved him.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years Elda Marie; sons Daryl Mitchell and wife Elizabeth, Mark Mitchell and wife Renee; daughter Denise Silverman and husband Barry; grandchildren Deanna and Alivia Mitchell, Cody and Ian Silverman; sister Bonnie Morgan, of Baton Rouge, La.

Funeral services for Mr. John O. Mitchell were held Thursday, May 27 at 2:00 p.m. at Earthman Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Dave Avis officiating. Interment followed in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

For those desiring they may leave a family message by going to earthmanfuneral.com

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