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## Charles Lee Musick

Funeral services for Charles Lee Musick were held Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at Calvary Assembly of God Church with Rev. Thomas Hale officiating. Interment followed at Waco Memorial North Cemetery. Mr. Musick passed away Sunday morning, October 15 at Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center in Waco. He was one of 12 children born to Jim and Pearl (Baker) Musick on January 10, 1912 in Grapeland, Texas. He married and then later divorced, Mildred Stansel Musick with five children born to this union. He later married Marie Hairel on September 16, 1989 and became a friend/stepfather to her three children. In serving his country, he served in the Navy during World War II. He was a self-employed utility contractor. Charles was a founding member of the Beverly Hills Lions Club and received a national honor for his years of service to this organization. He assisted in the formation of the Southern Little League and served many roles in this organization with coaching of many teams through the years to instill in the players to have fun as well as display good sportsmanship. Charles was a faithful member of Service Memorial Methodist Church serving many roles one of which was being a Sunday School teacher to each of his five children. Church was an important aspect of his life as noted in the past several years in his many roles and Christian devotion to Calvary Assembly of God Church. Charles was also an active participant in the community of Beverly Hills, serving on the city council in his younger years. He donated his time and service as acting director of the Lighthouse for the Blind with his faithful companion "Little Bit" always at his side. In his early years with the Beverly Hills Lions Club, he not only sponsored children but also was a camp

counselor at the Lions Camp for Crippled Children. Charles was famous for his chili that was one of the Lions Club's major fundraisers. He was a member of American Legion Post 440.

A person's legacy is not riches, possessions or worldly goods of any kind but it is the way he lived, the lives he touched, the kind of man he was. Charles leaves behind an example for others to always be kind and caring, be of service to others and to serve God. He saw everyone as equals and no one as a stranger. Charles' passions in his life were devotion to his family which included his personal family, his church family and his many friendships he formed during his life. There are many stories that can be told of his love for playing dominoes, being outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping, etc. with fishing being a major activity until his vision and health ended this.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sons, Michael and Terry; son-in-law, Jerry Hensley and five brothers and one sister.

He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Marie (Hairel) Musick of Waco; son, Dennis Musick and wife, Jackie of Crawford; daughters, Linda Maly and husband, Don of Robinson and Carol Hensley of Memphis, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Lori Musick, Danny Musick, Chris Musick, Joanne Jones and Jerry Hensley; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Also noted as survivors are his ex-wife, Mildred Musick of Robinson; step-children, Bill Hairel of Waco, Barbara Russell of Gatesville and Royce Rivera-Patterson of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; brother, Medwin Musick and wife, Dorothy of Grapeland; sisters, Ruth Bunyard of Cleburne, Zona Dial and Carolyn Platt and husband, Bill of Crockett; and numerous nieces and nephews.