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## John R. Owens

Funeral services for John R. Owens age 74 of Canton were held Saturday, September 11, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in the Eubank Chapel with Bro. David Fretwell and Bro. Jerome Savage officiating. Internment followed in the Grapeland City Cemetery at 3:00 p.m. Arrangements were under the direction of Eubank Funeral Home, Canton.

Pallbearers were Herman McDonald, Daniel McDonald, Damon McDonald, Robby Miller, Paul Jack "Pete" Nelson and Lemaul

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were Dave Pallbearers Lunceford, Mike watts, Russell Johnson, Honorary Oscar Brown, Nolan Dover, Robert Sanders and Johnny Andrews.

Mr. Owens passed away Wednesday, September 8, 2004 in Canton. He was born June 8, 1930 in Grapeland to John Ransome and Lillian Faye Robinson Owens. He graduated from Garland High School in 1948 and

East Texas University in 1953. Married Jo Wanda Miller on December 28, 1954. John retired from teaching and coaching in 1983. He served as a minister for the Church of Christ in Alabama, Missouri and Texas. He made 4 mission trips to India. He was a member of the Whitton Church of Christ.

His parents and a granddaughter preceded

him in death.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Jodie Owens of Canton; 2 son, Kenneth Paul "Chuck" Owens and wife, Jeanie of Malakoff, Danny Ray Owens and wife, Kim of Lubbock; daughter, Fay McDonald and husband, Herman of Mobile, Alabama; 4 grandsons; 4 granddaughters; 4 great grandchildren; brother, Jim Owens and wife, Charlotte of Athens; 2 sisters, Anita Farmer and husband, Gary of Greenville and Margie Hazelip and husband, Bill of Commerce and motherin-law, Lillian Miller of Canton.

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