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Lurena "Bill" Musick Park

Funeral services for Lurena "Bill" Musick Park, age 90, of Houston and formerly of Grapeland, were held July 28, 2007 at Oak Grove Baptist Church. Interment followed in the Park Cemetery in Madisonville with arrangements under the direction of Bailey & Foster Funeral Home Chapel, Grapeland.

Mrs. Park died Tuesday, July 24 in Houston. She and her twin sister, Luiza, were born near Grapeland on August 28, 1916. She graduated from Grapeland High School in 1936 and from the Jeff Davis Hospital School for nursing in 1939. She was an excellent nurse for 50 years. Through the war years, she worked at A.O. Smith as an industrial nurse. In Houston, Texas, her home for over 30 years, she worked at Herman Hospital and several others. She did private duty nursing for years and she was the director of The Bureau of Private Duty Nurses when she and Clyde "retired" to Grapeland. In Grapeland, Mrs. Park worked at the Grapeland Community Hospital for many years. She lived a good life, dedicated her service and care giving to others.

In August 1945, she married Clyde Park, a widower. Her new family included his two sons. Mrs. Park was a talented seamstress. She made both of her daughters' wedding dresses, a proud accomplishment. She enjoyed ceramics and crafts. She was a volunteer in activities with her daughters. After Clyde's death, she loved traveling with the Autumn Club. She was a member of the

Grapeland Chapter of Eastern Star. While living in Houston, she was a member of the West End Baptist Church and later a member of the Oak Grove Baptist Church in Grapeland.

Mrs. Park was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clyde Park; twin sister, Louise Musick Alford; brother, Earl Musick; a nephew Dan Alford; and a daughter-in-law, Mary Park. She is survived by her daughters, Martha Park Elliott and husband Bill and Kay Richmond and husband Randy; granddaughters Amber Crow, Ashley McDonald and Rachel Shadburne; grandson, Andrew Richmond; and four great grandchildren. She is also survived by Clyde's sons, Cecil Park and wife Jan, Harold Park and wife Jo, and their children, Clyde and Jack Park and Roger and Jeffrey Park.

Memorials may be made to Vitas Hospice, 48282 Loop Central Dr. Bldg. Suite 890, Houston, TX 77081 or to Interfaith Care Partners, 701 N. Post Oak Rd., Suite 330, Houston, TX 77024.

The family would like to express their appreciation and thanks to these organizations. Also their heartfelt thanks goes to those loving home caregivers: Becci Delany, Diane, Blanca, Mildred and Bill Elliott. Also to Martha, MaKeeba and the entire staff at Cypresswood Health Care, thank you for your help, your kindness and your patience. Each one has been a blessing during the past ten years.