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## **ODESSA LAVERNE PHELPS PRESTRIDGE**

Mrs. Odessa Laverne Phelps Prestridge, age 87 of Crockett, previously of Elkhart, passed away Wednesday, November 7, 2007 in the Houston County Nursing Home in Crockett. Mrs. Prestridge was born June 17, 1920 in Wilson, Oklahoma to Charlie Lee and Pearlie Hicks Tower. After living in the Alvin area for more than 30 years, she resided in Elkhart for over 20 years before entering Houston County Nursing Home. Mrs. Prestridge was a homemaker and Foster parent to more than 80 children in the Brazoria and Galveston County area. Mrs. Prestridge was a volunteer for the Sunshine Guild at Palestine Regional Medical Center for over 5 years and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Elkhart.

Survivors include her children Argaree Arline Rose, of Elkhart, Perry Lee Phelps and wife Patricia, of Texas City, Davida Ruth Phelps, of Liverpool, Michael Wayne Phelps and wife Teresa, of Elkhart; special friends Kathleen and Roy Dyches, of Crockett; eight grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; sister Clarice Crews, of League City; brother R. Q. Tower of Talco.

Preceded in death by her parents Charlie Lee and Pearlie (Hicks) Tower; husband of 59 years, David Richard Phelps, husband, William Clay Prestridge; five brothers; one grandson; and one great-grandson.

Graveside Funeral Services for Mrs. Odessa Laverne Phelps Prestridge will be held Monday, November 12, at 2:00 p.m. in the Grace Memorial Park in Hitchcock, Texas. Callaway-Allee Funeral Home