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Merle C. Rials

Funeral services for Merle C. Rials age 82 of Beaumont were held Friday, January 30, 2004 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Ben Alford officiating. Interment services were held at 4:00 p.m. Friday in the Grapeland City Cemetery in Grapeland.

Mrs. Rials was born on July 13, 1921 in Crockett to Percy Scott and Ida Lou (Jackson) Christopher. Mrs. Rials passed away January 27, 2004 in Beaumont, TX. A former resident of Grapeland, she resided most of her life in Groves. She was a retired sales clerk with J. C. Penney's and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Grapeland.

Her parents preceded her in death.

She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Debbie and Tim Woodson of Friendswood, Glenda and Tom Murphy of Beaumont; one sister, Della Morris of Abilene: two sisters-in-law, Christopher of Crockett and Iva Hughes of Omaha, NE; eight grandchildren, Scott Sory and wife, Pam of Baytown, Malana Hearn and husband, Daniel of Beaumont, Brooke Woodson, Ashley Woodson and Michael Woodson all of Friendswood, Scott Murphy and wife, Vanessa of Richardson, Aaron Murphy and wife, Davona of Hebert Springs and Andrew Reglin and wife, Kate of Allen and ten great grandchildren.