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Raymond Roscoe Rice

TRINITY – Services for Pastor Raymond Roscoe Rice, 85, of Trinity were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2007, at the Dorcas Wills Memorial Baptist Church in Trinity with the Rev. Jason Burden officiating.

Burial followed in the Antioch Cemetery.

Mr. Rice died Sunday, Dec. 23, in Trinity.

He was born June 5, 1922, in Yoakum and served during World War II as a motorcycle message carrier. Mr. Rice was one of the pioneers of pipelines and traveled extensively working with pipelines until 1938.

He was employed as a superintendent at Houston Contracting Co. for over 20 years.

Following his retirement in 1971, he moved to Trinity and became a rancher and cowboy. He moved back to Galveston in 1975 and was ordained as a minister. He remained a preacher for the last 10 years.

Mr. Rice was a member of the Joe Werner Masonic Lodge #556 of Trinity and of the Shriners. He also was a member of the Dorcas Wills Memorial Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Jefferson and Elma Dean Rice; a brother, Thomas Larry Rice; a half-brother, Alvin; and two half-sisters, Laverne and Jewel.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Helen Marie Rice; two sons and their spouses, Raymond Roscoe and Judy Rice Jr. and Raymond Paul and Peggy Rice; two daughters and a son-in-law, Betty Henry and Denise and Donnie Hannusch; six grandchildren and their spouses, Richard Raymond and Kelli Rice, Bryn Henry and Sarah Rice, James and Michelle Fruge, Melanie and Steven Jones, Olivia Rice and Emily Rice; 11 great-grandchildren, Ryan, Rusty, Dixie, Brooke, Kaitlyn, Garrett, Colleen, Colton, Cody, Hayden and Lainey; and a niece and a number of great-nieces.

Waller-Thornton Funeral Home of Trinity directed the arrangements.