MORRIS ADDISON RIFE

Mr. Morris Addison Rife, age 80 of Crockett, passed away Thursday, January 23, 2003. "M.A." was born in Teague on May 17, 1922, to Era and John K. Rife. Mr. Rife served for 3 1/2 years in the 33rd naval Construction Battalion in the South Pacific WWII. Upon his return he married Lois June Skinner in 1945. Mr. Rife operated M.A. Rife Construction Company from 1858 to 1981; during that time he built over 200 churches and schools.

Preceded in death by his wife Lois June Skinner Rife.

Survivors include his daughter Pamela Ainsworth and husband Joe of Crockett; son Paul Rife and wife Gerry. of Houston; daughter Pati Taylor and husband Tim, of Friendswood; six grandchildren Paige Ainsworth, of Kansas City, Kan.; Jason Ainsworth and wife Johanna, of Plano. Philip Rife, Elissa Rife, and Lauren Rife, of Houston Andy Taylor, of Friendswood; and four great-grandchildren Parker, Nicholas, Justin and Caleb; and brother John Rife, of Houston.

"PaPaw" will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends.

Memorial services for Mr. Morris Addison Rife was held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 25, at First Presbyterian Church of Crockett.

Graveside service immediately followed at Union Cemetery in Freestone.

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