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## Wednesday Rites For A. D. Smith

Graveside services for Alva Dean Smith, age 64, of Grapeland were held Wednesday, February 21, at 3:00 p.m. in the Dailey Cemetery, west of Grapeland, with Dr. Jack Shoultz officiating. Military honors will be accorded by the U. S. Army, Ft. Hood, Texas. Masonic graveside services will be furnished by the Grapeland Lodge 473 AF & AM. Interment followed under the direction of Bailey & Foster, Grapeland.

Members of the Grapeland Masonic Lodge #473 AF & AM served as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearer was Barrett Riese.

Mr. Smith died Sunday, February 18, 2001, at Palestine Regional Medical Center. He was born April 27, 1936, in Houston County to Kleber (Beazley) and Christopher Columbus. Mr. Smith served in the U. S. Army in Korea. He was transportation director and bus driver for Grapeland Independent School District for a number of years prior to retirement. A Methodist, Mr. Smith also was a member of the Grapeland Masonic Lodge #473...

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, Dorothy Lively Smith; four sisters, Mary Elizabeth Smith, Belle Doris Hagle, Grace Cook and Nina Ruth Steely; and three brothers,

Frank H. Smith, James A. Smith and Joseph Edward Smith.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Pam and Bruce Burch of Brownsboro, Donna and Mark Deal of Grapeland; a son, Barrett Eugene Stevens of Bakersville, California; a sister, Louise Canady of Houston; a brother, Chris Smith of New Braunfels; and three grandchildren, Alicia Reneé Deal, Angela June-Marie Deal, and Lucas Dean Burch.