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## **OBITUARIES**

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### **Memorial Services Set Friday For Frank Thornal**

Memorial services for Fayette M. (Frank) Thornal, age 76, of Grapeland will be held Friday, August 6, at 2:00 p.m. in the Grapeland Church of Christ.

Mr. Thornal passed away Monday, August 2, 1999. He was born on May 5, 1923 in Beaumont to Lafayette Thornal and Mittie Crocker Thornal. Mr. Thornal was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Serving aboard the USS Enterprise, he was present at the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He was retired as a dredge boat captain.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Thornal was preceded in death by a brother, Theodore Thornal.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Thornal of Grapeland; two daughters, Marilyn McLaren of LaMarque and Sue Brown of Hitchcock; two sons, Fayette M. Thornal, Jr. of Kingsland, Georgia and Tommy Thornal of Galveston; ten grandchildren; and ten great grandchildren one of whom is Brittany Newsom who was especially close to her great-grandfather and will fondly remember that he was the one to teach her how to ride her bicycle and roller skate.