## Services Held For A. B. Walker, Sr.

Funeral services for Mr. A. B. Walker, Sr. of Grapeland were held Saturday, March 24, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, west of Grapeland, with Rev. Jesse Clark and Rev. Eligha Walker, Jr. officiating. Interment followed in the Mt. Zion Cemetery under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home-Palestine.

Pallbearers were Edward Black, Peter Carr, Sam Carr, Jimmie Davis, Paul Davis, Kenneth Lewis and Kent Walker. Brothers and nephews of Mr. Walker were designated as hon-

orary pallbearers.

A. B. Walker was born January 11, 1935, in Grapeland to Bailey and Alice Beasley Walker. He passed away Sunday, March 18, 2001. He attended W. R. Banks School in Grapeland and later moved to Lufkin where he married Rose Marie Hodge. To this union four children were born, Mr. Walker was a roofer and construction worker. In 1986 he moved back to Grapeland . He was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his wife Rose Marie in 1986; a sister, Cindy (Lucinda) Walker; brothers, Spencer Walker and Sylvester Walker; and granddaughter, Millie Denise Henry.

He is survived by his daughters, Jacqueline Walker, Jennifer Walker and Alice Faye Walker, all of Grapeland, and Minnie Cunningham of Crockett; son, A. B. Walker, Jr. of Grapeland; sisters, Jannie Williby and Stella Walker, both of Galveston, Janet Davis of Palestine, Gertrude Morrison and Elwanda Taylor, both of Lufkin, Vera Taylor and Glinda Walker, both of Grapeland; brothers, Lorenza Walker of Luskin, Bailey Walker, Jr. and James Walker of Grapeland; special aunt, Essie B. Walker of Grapeland; aunts, Liza Jane Guster of Galveston, Linnie Smith of Houston, Betty Walker of San Antonio and Lola Beasley of Crockett; grandchildren, Felicia Simmons, Opal Cunningham, Andra White, Shamita Walker, Chasity Walker, Ja'Marcus Walker, Tylphus Walker, and Tacoyus Walker; greatgrandchildren, Kevin Cu**nning** ham, Shontavia Cunningham, Tamia McIntosh, Trenseia Cunningham and Tashona McIntosh; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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