

Evergreen  
burial

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## Buford Marvin Watkins

TRINITY - Graveside services for Buford Mavin Watkins, 76, of Trinity were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, 2006, in the Evergreen Cemetery in Crockett with Dr. Jerry House officiating.

Mr. Watkins died Saturday, March 4, in Tyler.

Born April 16, 1929, in Nacogdoches County, he was the son of Buford and Viera Wallace Watkins. He was a pilot for the Texas Forest Service until 1951 and served as a Texas Department of Public Safety officer from 1951 to 1957.

Mr. Watkins later worked as a pilot for Continental Air, Trans Texas and Texas International, retiring in 1977 after 20 years. He was a member of the Airline Pilots Union.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Dorothy Sanders Watkins; a daughter and her spouse, Paula Ruth and Matthew Ciota; a son, Bruce Watkins; a sister, Celestine Smith; a grandson, Ben Veasey; a niece and her spouse, Susanne and Richard Morrow; a nephew and his spouse, Charles and Anne Smith; a great-niece and great-nephew, Amanda and Mike.

~~Waller-Thomson Funeral Home~~  
of Trinity directed the arrangements.