

Jefferson L. Wheeler

TRINITY - Services for Jefferson L. Wheeler, 82, of Trinity were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, 2006, in the Trinity United Pentecostal Church with the Rev. Guy Hargrave officiating.

Burial followed in the Wheeler Cemetery near the Wakefield community.

Mr. Wheeler died Wednesday, Feb. 1, at his home off FM 356 east of Trinity.

He was born July 20, 1923, in Renford and was employed as a journeyman carpenter. Mr. Wheeler served in the U.S. Army and was listed as a Technician 5th Grade in Company L, 417th Infantry from Sept. 1, 1942 to Sept. 13, 1945. He served during World War II and was awarded a Purple Heart medal.

Survivors include his wife, Alma Pauline Wheeler; three daughters and their spouses, Eula Jeanette and John A. Wilson, Shelia and Jerry Tate and Rylia and Alan Vizina; two sons and their spouses, Jim and Cay Wheeler and Timothy and Keelie Wheeler; a brother, J.C. Wheeler; a sister, Ola Skweres; 12 grandchildren and a spouse, Kay Wilson, Paula Tate, Kirk Wilson, Jerry C. Tate, Jim Wheeler Jr., Starla Kyser, Jacob Wheeler, Alawna Kyser, Timothy and Kelly Wheeler Jr., Heidi Jean Wheeler, Jesse Wheeler and Joseph Trapp; and six great-grandchildren, Mark Bratton, Nathan Bratton, Robert Munson, Markala Munson, Hanna Wheeler and Breya Paige Tate.

Pallbearers were his grandsons.

Trinity Funeral Home directed the arrangements.