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**BESSIE MAE HART
WOODWORTH**

Mrs. Bessie Mae Hart Woodworth, age 79 of West Texas City, passed away Sunday, April 25, 2004 at her residence. Mrs. Woodworth was born November 2, 1924 in Grapeland to Ida Gardner and Bennie Howard and was their only child. Mrs. Woodworth attended public schools in Grapeland. Mrs. Woodworth confessed her faith in Christ at an early age and joined St.

Johns Baptist Church in Grapeland. Mrs. Woodworth later moved to Houston and joined Pleasant Hill Baptist Church under the pastorate of the Rev. L.H. Simpson. Mrs. Woodworth married Frank Woodworth on February 13, 1961. Mrs. Woodworth and Mr. Woodworth moved to LaMarque and she joined Progressive Missionary Baptist Church under the pastorate of the late Rev. M.C. Bridges Sr.

Survivors include her husband of 43 years Frank Woodworth, of Texas City; sisters Opal Washington, of Houston and Mary Lois Montgomery, of Dallas; brother-in-law Eddie Woodworth (Lillie Mae), of LaMarque; sister-in-law Mattie Lou Burrell (Lonnie), of Houston; a host of nieces, nephews; special cousins Earnestine Holden, of Houston, Maxene Clayton, Anchorage, AK, Dorothy Jean McGruder, of Palestine and Laura Ann White, of Houston; and a host of relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by her parents Ida Gardner and Bennie Howard.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie Mae Hart Woodworth were held Thursday, April 29, at 6:00 p.m. at the Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, 5830 FM 1765 in Texas City, with the Rev. Jonathan D. Steele, Sr. officiating.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 30 at 13:30 p.m. at Golden Gate Cemetery in Grapeland. Interment followed.

Mainland Funeral Home