



Willard L. Cone

April 15, 1915 - August 19, 2008

Graveside services for Willard L. Cone, age 93 of Minerva will be 10:00 A.M. Friday, August 22, 2008 in the Minerva Cemetery. Visitation will be 5PM to 8PM Thursday August 21, 2008 at the funeral home in Rockdale. Willard was born April 15, 1915 in Milam County to Ryan Grafton and Willie Elizabeth (Dyer) Cone. On May 24, 1939, he and Ruth Irene Blackwell were married in Lubbock. They had lived in Pettit and returned to Minerva 36 years ago. He was a farmer and rancher who enjoyed gardening and raising cattle. He attended the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Minerva. Willard passed away Tuesday August 19, 2008 in the Richards Memorial Hospital in Rockdale. He was preceded in death by a son, Tommy Lee Cone. His parents. Three brothers, William, Bernard and Henry Cone. Two sisters, Marie Dyer and Lucille Sutton and two nephews, Wilburn Dyer and Larry Cone. Surviving are, his wife, Ruth Cone of Minerva. Two sons, Gary L. Cone of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Allen Montandon of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Daughter, Karen Moore and husband C.B. of Arlington. Three brothers, Emmitt Cone of Waco, R.C. Cone of Minerva and Roger B. Cone of Temple. Seven grandchildren, Brant Westbrook and wife Heidi of Ft. Worth, Kendra Cone of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Megan L. Moore of Euless, Steven Cone and wife Beckie of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Bethany Moore of Arlington, Brien Westbrook of Lubbock and Beth Mailman of Lubbock. Three great grandchildren, Lauren and Ryan Westbrook of Ft. Worth and Aidan Cone of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Pallbearers are; C.B. Cone, Brant Westbrook,

Steven Cone, Allen Montandon, Mike Zunker, Roger Dale Cone, Jack Young and Brien Westbrook Honorary pallbearers, Ryan Westbrook and Aidan Cone Memorial may be made to; Minerva Community Center c/o Deborah Dean, 3266 CR 232, Rockdale, TX 76567 or to, Minerva Cemetery Association, c/o Eudie Hembrough, 730 CR 232 Loop, Rockdale, Tx 76567 or to Vista Care Hospice, 2626B South 37th St., Temple, TX 76504.