

Wilbur Johnson

TYLERTOWN — Wilbur Johnson, 87, of Tylertown, died Feb. 18, 1995, at his residence at Billdora Rest Home in Tylertown.

Services were at 2 p.m. today at Capps Funeral Home of Tylertown, with the Rev. John Tucker and the Rev. Charles Brister officiating. Burial was in Rushing Cemetery in Walthall County.

Mr. Johnson was born Feb. 26, 1907, in Walthall County. He was the son of the late Lucious Lafayette Johnson and Eudora Magee Johnson.

He was carpenter and a lifelong member of Mesa Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Davis of Tylertown; three brothers, Recie Johnson of Osyka and Jerome Johnson and Julius Johnson, both of Tylertown; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Howard Bates

LIBERTY — Howard Bates, 98, of Liberty, died Feb. 16, 1995, in Baker, La.

Visitation continues until 5 p.m. today at Cook's Enterprise Funeral Home of McComb and from 9:30-10:45 a.m. Tuesday at Tickfaw Baptist Church. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the church, with the Rev. Percy Veals, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Bates was born Dec. 4, 1896, in Amite County. He was the son of Howard Bates and Laura Varnado Bates.

He was retired and a member of Tickfaw Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters and seven brothers.

He is survived by three sons, Marshall Bates of Liberty, and Curtis Bates and Larnell Bates, both of New Orleans; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Ollie and the Rev. E.D. Scott of McComb, Inez B. and L.W. Sutton of Silver Creek and Willie P. Daniels of Baker; one step-

daughter, Carolyn West of New Orleans; four sisters-in-law, Nancy Bryant of Baker, Essie Bates and Geneva Tobias, both of Magnolia, and Mamie Jackson of Liberty; 38 grandchildren, four stepgrandchildren, 93 great-grandchildren, 24 great-great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Willie A. Freeman Jr.

RUTH — Willie Albert Freeman Jr., 76, of Ruth, died Feb. 14, 1995, at McComb Extended Care Nursing Home.

Visitation continues until 7 tonight at Peoples Undertaking Co. of McComb. Services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Bogue Chitto Woods Missionary Baptist Church, with burial in Hoovers Cemetery.

Mr. Freeman was born Feb. 22, 1918, in Pike County. He was the son of Willie Freeman Sr. and Rhoda Freeman Butler.

He was retired, having worked for B.C. Rogers and Great American Box, and was a veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and three stepbrothers.

He is survived by two sisters, Clara M. Coleman of McComb and Elizabeth Pittman of Ruth; two sisters-in-law, eight step-sisters and stepbrothers, two aunts, one uncle and a host of other relatives and friends.

Barry L. Forman

BATON ROUGE, La. — Barry L. Forman, 41, of Baton Rouge, died Feb. 16, 1995, at Medical Center of Baton Rouge.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, with the Rev. Frank Black officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Brown Funeral Home of Liberty in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Forman was born Oct. 17, 1953, in Natchez. He was the son