Leo Bates Sr.

Leo Bates, 76, a longtime Amite County farmer and cattleman, died Friday at his residence on Route 2, Liberty, following a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Cedar Grove Methodist Church with the Rev. James Lockett officiating.

Born April 18, 1905, Mr. Bates was a native and lifelong resident of Amite County. He was a member of Cedar Grove Methodist Church and was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served during World War II.

Survivors include his wife Mrs. Ellenora B. Bates of Route 2, Liberty; a son Leo Bates Jr. of Liberty; two grandchildren, Calvin and Tracy, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Wake will be from 7 to 9 tonight in the funeral home chapel. Burial will be in the church cemetery with Craft Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.