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Fred Blackwell

RANGER — Fred Blackwell, 48, died Saturday following a boating accident.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today in the Ranger Mesquite and Rusk Streets Church of Christ with Ken Evans officiating. Burial will be in Alameda Cemetery, directed by Edwards Funeral Home of Ranger.

Mr. Blackwell was born in Gorman and raised in Ranger. He married Debbie Christian and they moved to Fort Worth where he worked for Buddy's Supermarket. He returned to Ranger in 1971 and worked for Quality Supermarket and later Adams Grocery. He married Betty Nance. He was employed by the Eastland Mental Health Mental Retardation office at the time of his death. He was a member of the Mesquite and Rusk Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include one son, David Blackwell of Davis, Calif.; four daughters, Tammy Weisman of Valley Center, Calif, Jenifer Blackwell of Cleburne, Anessa Nance of Arlington, and Sandra Wuorinen of Eugene, Ore.; his mother, Juanita Blackwell of Ranger; one sister, Gay Burnett of Ranger; one brother, Larry Blackwell of Bedford; and four grandchildren.