

The Rev. Olan T. Carnes, 86, of Tiger, died Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007, at his home.

He was born Nov. 1, 1920, in Rabun County to E.A. and Martha Fincannon Carnes. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired as a custodian with Rabun County Schools. He also was an ordained Baptist minister in Rabun County and a member of People's Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Rita Carnes; two brothers; and five sisters.

Survivors include: his wife, Lenore Capps Carnes of Tiger; a son, Tim Carnes of Tiger; two daughters and a son-in-law, Tina Carnes Gibson of Tiger and Betty Carnes and the Rev. Buddy McKay of Tiger; a brother, the Rev. Cranford Carnes of Tiger; three grandchildren, Bud McKay and fiancée Cathy Speed of Tiger, Ben Carnes of Tiger, who is stationed with the U.S. Army in Kuwait, and Adam Gibson of Tiger.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Rocky Grove Baptist Church with the Revs. Newton Phillips, Cranford Carnes and Buddy McKay officiating. Burial will follow at the church cemetery with the Rev. Kenny Kilby conducting a graveside service.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. today at Hunter Funeral Home. The body will lie in state beginning at noon Friday at the church.

Hunter Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The Clayton Tribune, Jan. 11, 2007