Earl Branstetter

Earl Branstetter, 68, of 1601 East 13th, died at 6:45 a.m. Saturday at Bothwell Hospital.

He was born in Cooper County, May 23, 1912, son of the late Lee Branstetter and Mrs. Essie Rennison Branstetter. On Oct. 26, 1930, at Marshall, he married Miss Alma Walter, who survives.

He lived here most of his life and was employed as a painter for several years. Later he owned and operated the E & A Cafe on West Main. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Other survivors include two sons, Gene Branstetter, 638 East 18th; Gary Branstetter, Grandview; three daughters, Miss Joann Branstetter, of the home; Vera Smith, 630 East 16th; Mrs. Betty Duncan, Fayetteville, Ga.; his mother, Mrs. Essie Whaley; Route 4; two brothers, Walton Branstetter, Route 4; Russell Branstetter, Route 5; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the Ewing Funeral Home with the Rev. Lawrence Stewart officiating, assisted by the Rev. Dean Cadett.

Pallbearers will be George Craig, Bob Wells, Paul Walter, Dorsey Walter, Kenneth Glenn and Oliver Perry Walton.

Burial will be in the Highland Sacred Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.