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PAUL C. PITTS SR.

Paul Cleveland Pitts, 71, of Madison, went to be with our Lord and Savior on Easter morning, March 23, 2008, surrounded by family and friends at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson. Mr. Pitts was born in Perry County, Alabama in a log cabin on November 28, 1936.

Mr. Pitts is survived by his wife of 51 years, Mamie Lorene; two sons and their wives, Paul Cleveland "Bo" Pitts, Jr. and wife, Robin of Madison and John Herbert Pitts and wife Kristine of Flora; two granddaughters, Anna Rachael and Erica Lorene Pitts of Madison; sister, Mary Kathryn May of Brandon; and brother, Donnie Pitts of Jackson. The sun rose and set on his two granddaughters. He was preceded in death by his parents Paul Leon and Blanche Alexander Pitts and brother Jimmie Larry Pitts.

Mr. Pitts spent 43 years of his life in the fire service. He retired as a Captain from the Jackson Fire Department after 25 years. He also retired as Assistant Chief from the Madison Fire Department after 18 years. He was a member of the International Association of Arson Investigators and the Mississippi Fire Investigators Association.

Mr. Pitts loved hunting and fishing and previously was a member of Price's Creek and 10 Point Hunting Clubs. He loved spending time hunting and fishing on his land in Eupora as well. He was also a foster father of 36 children in his home over 12 years.

He was a wonderful father, husband, grandfather, brother and friend that will be dearly missed.

Visitation will be today at Natchez Trace Funeral Home in Madison from 5-8 p.m. and 9-10 a.m. Tuesday, March 25. Funeral services are at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday.

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