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THE REVEREND STANLEY HAVER

No man in the history of Southwest Texas Methodism has rendered more devoted service than Stanley Haver, whose death on Good Friday, April 7th, saddened our entire Conference.

Born in Grimes County on August 16, 1890, he was the son of Edgar Hodgen and Alice (Crease) Haver who had come to America from Eng-

land two years before.

Growing up in McKee Street
Church in Houston, he joined the church when 10 years of age and was licensed to preach in 1912. Educated in Southwestern University and the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University he was admitted on trial into the Pacific Conference in 1917. He held one appointment—the Wesley House in San Francisco—in that conference and transferred to the old West Texas Conference in 1919.

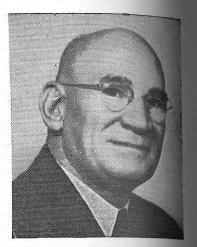
In our conference he served the following appointments: Providence City Circuit, Midfield Circuit, Calallen-Odem, Taft, Ozona, Midland, Robstown, McKinley Avenue in San Antonio, Presiding Elder of the Yoakun District, Alice, McAllen, Kerrville, and Laredo. From 1921 to 1923 he was pastor of Cochran's Chapel in Dallas while a student in the School of Theology.

While serving in Laredo and leading in building the beautiful new church which the congregation now occupies, he was stricken after preaching his Easter sermon in 1949 and continued in ill health until his untimely death. Funeral services were conducted in Houston by the District Superintendent, Guy F. Jones, and Brother Haver was laid to rest beside his father

and mother in a Houston cemetery. He is survived by his widow, the former Mrs. Rosa McMillan, and other relatives, and a host of ministerial and lay

friends over this entire section.

A builder of church buildings, a conference leader, a gifted preacher an unfailing friend and pastor to his people, a brother beloved by his ministerial brethren, his record is written in the progress of Methodism in this section and in lives redeemed and enriched by his ministry. He lives in the Father's House above and shall abide in expanding ministries of blessedness in this world below.



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