



## **Carriage Services Closes Dilday Brothers Acquisition in California**

HOUSTON, Sept 29, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX News Network/ -- Carriage Services, Inc. (NYSE: CSV) announced today that it has acquired Dilday Brothers Funeral Directors ("Dilday") in Huntington Beach, Orange County, California. Situated only a block south of Heritage Memorial Services ("Heritage"), which was acquired in June 2010, Dilday is Carriage's second acquisition in Orange County, California this year. The businesses will be integrated as Heritage-Dilday Memorial Services ("Heritage-Dilday") and will serve approximately 1000 families annually with the standard of service, excellence, and reputation for which each is known.

J. Bradley Green, Executive Vice President, Strategic Development of Carriage, said, "This acquisition further strengthens Carriage's strategic presence in the Southern California market and we are excited about the opportunity for Mr. Decatur Dilday (former owner of Dilday) and Dennis and Linda Gallagher (former owners of Heritage) to work together to ensure that the combined businesses remain the highest quality funeral homes in the region."

Carriage Services is a leading provider of death care services and merchandise in the United States. Carriage operates 147 funeral homes in 25 states and 33 cemeteries in 12 states.

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