

CARRIAGE SERVICES INC

Form 8-K

November 08, 2007

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 8, 2007

Carriage Services, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

*(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)*

1-11961

*(Commission
File Number)*

76-0423828

*(IRS Employer
Identification No.)*

3040 Post Oak Boulevard, 3rd Floor
Houston, Texas 77056

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(713) 332-8400

- o Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On November 8, 2007, Carriage Funeral Services of California, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Carriage Services, Inc., (together referred to as "Carriage") acquired substantially all the assets of Evans-Brown Mortuary and Hemet Valley Mortuary in Riverside County, California in exchange for a cash payment at closing in the amount of \$10.0 million. Evans-Brown Mortuary consists of three funeral homes and Hemet Valley Mortuary is a simple funeral home.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Carriage Services, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CARRIAGE SERVICES, INC.

Date: November 8, 2007

By: /s/Terry E. Sanford
Terry E. Sanford
Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting
Officer and Treasurer