

CARRIAGE SERVICES INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**STEDMAN STUART W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2727 ALLEN PARKWAY, STE. 480

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

05/04/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	50,000 A	\$ 1.5625 129,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 4.5 135,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 3.6 141,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 4.95 147,522	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2005		S	5,000 D	\$ 6.0244 142,522	D	
					314,709	I	Various

Common  
Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Stock Option	\$ 1.5625	05/04/2005		C	50,000		12/22/2003	12/22/2010	Common Stock 50,000
Stock Option	\$ 4.5	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/07/2002	05/07/2012	Common Stock 6,000
Stock Option	\$ 3.6	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/13/2003	05/13/2013	Common Stock 6,000
Stock Option	\$ 4.95	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/18/2004	05/18/2014	Common Stock 6,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEDMAN STUART W  
2727 ALLEN PARKWAY, STE. 480 X  
HOUSTON, TX 77019

## Signatures

Stuart W.  
Stedman 05/05/2005

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) (1) Table II, Column 8 is blank because the transaction was an exercise of a derivative security.

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