

Charles David Bateman, 73, of Andrews, died at his home on Friday, March 9, 2007.

Born in Macon County and a lifelong native of the Nantahala Community, he was the son of the late Claude and Elda Neal Bateman. He was also preceded in death by two brothers, T.A. and Jerry Bateman.

Mr. Bateman was a foreman in the heavy construction industry, building dams and bridges. He was a member of White Oak Baptist Church.

He is survived by four sons, Charles Bateman Jr. and wife Karen of Marble, Joseph Bateman and wife Lisa, Timothy Bateman and William "Bill" Bateman, all of Andrews; two sisters, Mary Williamson of Culberson and Geneva Mosteller of Nantahala; five brothers, Johnnie Bateman of Andrews, James, Todd, Morris and Wendell Bateman, all of Nantahala; and two grandchildren, Allison and Andrew Bateman.

A funeral service was held Monday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m., in the Chapel of Ivie Funeral Home in Andrews, with Rev. S.J. Waters officiating.

Burial will be held Tuesday, March 13, at 10 a.m., in the Aquone Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Ray Morgan, Andy Morgan and members of the Nantahala Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.

The family received friends Monday, from 5 to 7:15 p.m., prior to the service at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of Charles D. Bateman to the Nantahala Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, 19036 Wayah Rd, Aquone, NC 28781.

Ivie Funeral Home in Andrews is in charge of the arrangements.

An online guest register is available by visiting www.iviefuneralhome.com.

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