

Charles Allen Bates

A Macon County native

Charles Allen Bates, 56, of Cowee Community, died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2003, at his residence. He was a native of Macon County, a son of the late Lee and Cordelia Williamson Bates. He had worked as a machine operator in a cotton mill and was of the Baptist faith.



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He is survived by one daughter, Shelly Laws of Gastonia; two sons, Randy Bates of Gastonia and Johnny Bates of Clayton, Ga.; four sisters, Lucille Gilstrap of Clover, S.C., Mary Teague of Gastonia, Ola Bates of Franklin and Geraldine Stephens of High Shoals; one brother, Gene Bates of Piggott, Ark.; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 27, in the chapel of Bryant Funeral Home with Rev. Tom Grubb officiating. Burial was at the Union Methodist Cemetery.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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