

Hilda Elizabeth Bell

Hilda Elizabeth Bell, 80, of Franklin passed away on Friday, Feb. 17, 2006.

A native of Baltimore, Md., she was the daughter of the late John Hess and Mary Long Hess Spath. She was married to the late Alfred Bell Sr., who died in 1999.

She was a member of St. Peters Lutheran Church in Baltimore.

She is survived by three children, Carol Buchheim and Alfred Bell Jr., both of Pennsylvania, and Sharon Archer of Franklin; two brothers, John Hess Jr. and Charles Spath Jr., both of Baltimore; three sisters, Doris Curnette, Marie Bragg and Jeanette Long, all of Baltimore; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held in Baltimore.

The family received friends Sunday, Feb. 19, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Macon Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Macon County Humane Society, P.O. Box 81, Franklin, NC 28744 or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1648, Franklin, NC 28744.

Macon Funeral Home is in charge of the local arrangements.

Online condolences are available by visiting www.maconfuneralhome.com.

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