

Willard Luther 'Geat' Bradley

Willard Luther "Geat" Bradley, 89, of Bradley Creek Road, Franklin, passed away Friday, May 2, 2008, at his residence.

A native of Macon County, he was the son of the late Will and Timmy Shepard Bradley.

He was a sergeant for the U.S. Army Air Force. He worked at the Nathalaha Creamery for 20 years and was employed at Biltmore Dairy's and Rabun Mills. Mr. Bradley was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church where he served as a former Sunday school superintendent, training union director, and was very active in Sunday school. Geat enjoyed cattle trading.

He is survived by his wife, Rosa Lee McCall Bradley; one daughter, Brenda Bradley of Franklin; one son, Terry W. Bradley and wife Mary P. of Franklin; one sister, Bedell Crawford of Franklin; and a granddaughter, Rebecca Pruitt and husband Rev. C. Allen of Knoxville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Kate Bradley; a sister, Mary Lee Bradley; and two brothers, Olan Bradley and Arlen Bradley.

A funeral service was held at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 4, at Oak Grove Baptist Church, with Revs. Charles Stevens, Judson Hall and Brandon Breedlove officiating.

Burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Charles "Dink" Marlin McCall, Bobby McArthur McCall, Bruce Schuler, Gilmer Breedlove, Max Breedlove, and John.

The family received friends from 2 to 3 p.m., Sunday, May 4, at Oak Grove Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, C/O Evelyn Hughes, P.O. Box 291, Franklin, NC 28744, or Hospice House Foundation, 170 Church St., Franklin, NC 28734,

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

An online obituary is available by visiting www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com.

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