

Mr. Douthit

Oliver Monroe Douthit, 75,

of Swannanoa, died Friday, Feb. 27. He was a native of Macon County, son of the late George W. and Rula Cochran Douthit. He was a body and fender technician in Black Mountain. He was a sergeant in the U.S. Army, serving in World War II. He was married to Margaret Bamwell Douthit.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Betty Champion of Swannanoa, Wanda Hill of Ormond Beach, Fla., and Sandra Laster of Kingsport, Tenn.; two brothers, Buel Douthit and Coolidge Douthit, both of Nantahala; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 2, in the Swannanoa chapel of Penland and Sons Funeral Home, with Rev. Frank Cantrell and Rev. James Lamb officiating. Burial was in Western Carolina State Veterans Cemetery. Pallbearers were Randy Champion, Chris Champion, Milton Laster, Fred Hill, Donald Bamwell and Bobby Hayes.

Memorials may be made to Buncombe County Veterans Memorial Team, P.O. Box 16188, W. Asheville, N.C. 28816.

Penland and Sons Funeral Home of Swannanoa was in charge of arrangements.