

Edward William Ernst Jr., 66, of My Place Lane, Franklin, formerly of New York, passed away Thursday, July 19, 2007, in an Asheville hospital.

He was a native of Bronx, N.Y., the son of the late Edward W. Ernst Sr. and Helen Mae Fisher Ernst.

He was a member of the National Guard and was a heavy equipment mechanic for the U.S. Army. He was a member of Antiquity Masonic Lodge 11 in Brentwood, N.Y.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Marion Civay Ernst; one daughter, Michelle Frazier of Franklin; one sister, Carol Johnson of Long Island, N.Y.; and two grandchildren, Charlie Frazier and Madeline Fox.

A memorial service was held Monday, July 23, 2007, at 7 p.m., in the Chapel of Bryant Funeral Home, with the VFW chaplain officiating.

The family received friends Monday, from 6 to 7 p.m., at the funeral home prior to the service.

The Franklin VFW Post 7339 and American Legion Post 108 conducted military rites.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Macon County Unit, P.O. Box 1648, Franklin, NC 28744.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences are available by visiting www.bryantfuneralhomes.com or www.MeM.com.
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