

Annie Mason "Grace" Fouts, 77, of Wilson Avenue, Franklin, passed away Friday, April 13, 2007, at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville.

A native of Macon County, she was the daughter of the late James Ralph and Laura Kate Daves Mason. She was married to the late Lewis Fouts, who passed away in 1995. She was also preceded in death by a son, Jerry Lee Fouts; and a sister, Azalee Welch.

She was retired from the Sunset Restaurant and had worked in the local plants and was a beauty operator. In 1983, she received her food service degree from Southwestern Community College. She was a member of Burningtown Baptist Church.

She is survived by her two sons, Larry Dale Fouts and wife Aylene and Lewis Jr. Fouts and wife Carolyn, all of Franklin; a special grandson, Josh Fouts of Bryson City; four stepgrandchildren, three stepgreat-grandchildren; and an aunt, Thelma Smith of Franklin.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 15, at 2 p.m., in the Chapel of Bryant Funeral Home, with Rev. Clark Sheffield officiating.

Burial was in the Burningtown Baptist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jonathan Lunsford, Benny Smith, Tommy Mason, Cliff Cochran, Skip Trammel and Melvin Spradlin.

The family received friends Sunday, from 12:30 to 2 p.m., prior to the service at the funeral home. At other times, at the home of Junior Fouts, 417 Wayah St., Franklin, NC 28734.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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

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