

Spurgeon Freeman

A Baptist by faith and retired from Whitley

Spurgeon Freeman, 66, of Shepherd Creek Road, died Friday, Feb. 21, 2003, at his residence. He was a native of Swain County and the son of the late Rev. John and Vergie Tabor Freeman.

He was retired from Whitley as a tubing fabricator. He was a member of Liberty Baptist Church where he was a deacon, choir director, Sunday school teacher, R.A. leader and singing schools teacher.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years Grace Shepherd Freeman, two daughters, Joy Mashburn of Danielsville, Ga., and Jill Arnold of West Virginia; two sisters, Delma Johnson and Anne Bowers, of Bryson City; and two brothers, Dennis Freeman of Franklin, and Rev. Roger Freeman of Manassas, Va. Three grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 23, at 2:30 p.m. at Liberty Baptist Church with the Rev. Andy Cloer and Wesley Hooper officiating. Burial was in Shepherd Cemetery. Bob Crawford, Jim Cooney, Sam Bowers, Lloyd Allen, Joe Allen and Brian Jennings served as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Lewis Rathbun Wellness Center, 121 Sherwood Road, Asheville, NC 28803.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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