

Birdie Bridges Herron

Birdie Bridges Herron, 96, of the Alarka community, passed away Monday, Dec. 27, 2004, in Tsali Care Center.

A native of Swain County, she was the daughter of the late Calvin and Josephine Woodard Bridges. She was the wife of the late John Mack Herron, who died in 1956. She was also preceded in death by two sons, Jesse Herron and Wesley Herron; and three infant children, Frances, Robert and Rufus Herron.

She was a lifelong member of Mount Vernon Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by four daughters, Tennia Houser and husband Lester of Thomasville, Dallie Feeney and husband Vern of Franklin, Maxine Bradshaw of Drexel and Betty Shepherd of Bryson City; four sons, Troy Lee Herron of Bryson City, David Herron of Alexis, Albert Herron and wife Linda of Bryson City, and Odell Herron of Bryson City; one brother, Matt Bridges of Bryson City; one sister, Bonnie Blanton of Franklin; 27 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grand-children.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m., in the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Rev. Mike Wise officiated.

Burial was in Brendle Hill Cemetery.

The family received friends Tuesday, Dec. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the funeral home.

Crisp Funeral Home in Bryson City was in charge of the arrangements.

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