

Dr. Hill

Dr. Joseph Hill Jr., 59, died Friday, Feb. 17, at his residence.

A native of Hendersonville, he was the son of the late Joseph L. and Elizabeth Freeman Hill Sr. An Army veteran of the Korean Conflict, he served in the Medical Corps. A resident of Franklin since 1953, he was an optometrist. He attended Appalachian State College and was a 1951 graduate of Northern Illinois College of Optometry. He was a Boy Scout troop leader for 10 years and the 1963 recipient of the Jaycees "Young Man of the Year Award." He was president of the Chamber of Commerce and a former member of Franklin Lions Club. He was a member of Angel Community Hospital board for 10 years, serving as chairman for one year. He was currently on the board of Macon County Health Department and was a member of Wachovia Bank board. He was also past president of Mountain District of the Optometrists Society.

Surviving are his wife, Rachel Simmons Hill; a son, Dr. David S. Hill of Franklin; and two sisters, Marie Warren of Bat Cave and Gladys Owenby of Black Mountain.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, of which he was a member and Clerk of Session. Rev. Tyler Martin and Rev. Rowland Showalter officiated. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers were Ed Shatley, Ron Winecoff, Gene Lawrence, Bob Moore, Bill Smart, Dr. J.W. Kahn, Ted Sprinkle and Hall Callahan.

Memorials may be made to the building fund of First Presbyterian Church, Church Street, Franklin.