

## **Bernice Beryl Jaqua**

Bernice Beryl Jaqua, 76, of Franklin, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2005.

A native of California, she was the daughter of the late Joseph P. Varty and Ione Taylor Varty. She was married to the late Donald R. Jaqua, who died in 1991. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Hugh Varty.

She graduated from California State University, Los Angeles, with a bachelor of science in mental health and was a registered nurse. She had also been a real estate broker. She was an enthusiastic volunteer all of her adult life and was very active as a leader in Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and 4-H. After her retirement, she spent many hours volunteering in various hospitals in California and North Carolina. She was also a member of Eastern Star and attended Holly Springs Baptist Church.

She is survived by two daughters, Denise Houston and husband Warren of Fresno, Calif., and Sheryl McCoy and husband Don of Oregon City, Ore.; two sons, Hugh Jaqua of El Mirage, Ariz., and Donald Jaqua of Franklin; a brother, Royal Patrick Varty; four grandsons, Jason McCoy, Andrew Jaqua, Stephen Jaqua and Caleb Jaqua; three granddaughters, April Jaqua, Cameryn McCoy and Catherine Jaqua; and one great-grandchild, Savannah Todd.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m., at Holly Springs Baptist Church Chapel, Building B, with Pastor Lynn Dulakis officiating.

Burial will be at Lancaster Cemetery in Lancaster, Calif.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Holly Springs Baptist Church Second Mile Ministries Fund, 366 Holly Springs Church Rd., Franklin, NC 28734.

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