

Vernon Parrish Pruett Justus

Vernon Parrish Pruett Justus, 92, of Asheville and formerly of Franklin, passed away Friday, April 15, 2005.

A native of Macon County, she was the daughter of the late George T. Parrish and Beulah Porter Parrish. She was first married to the late Buran Jason Pruett, then to the late Carlton Justus. She was also preceded in death by three sisters, Hallie Duvall, Birdie Parrish and Geneva Baldwin; three brothers, Pryor, Fred and Ralph Parrish; and an infant son, Wayne Pruett.

She was a member of Iotla Baptist Church.

She is survived by five children, Billie Bert Potts and husband Ray of Franklin, Tom Pruett and wife Carmie of Franklin, Beatrice "Bea" Coates and husband Harry of Asheville; Bill Pruett of Asheville, and Kenneth Pruett and wife Linda of Canton; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 17, at 4 p.m., in the Chapel of Macon Funeral Home. Rev. Steve Reeves and Rev. Hassie Lundy officiated.

Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons, Tom Potts, Nick Potts, John Pruett, Sherrill Coates, Ricky Coates, Danny Pruett and Jason Pruett.

The family received friends from 3 to 4 p.m., at the funeral home, one hour prior to the service.

Memorial donations may be made to Mountain Area Hospice, P.O. Box 25338, Asheville, NC 28813 or a charity of one's choice.

Macon Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Online condolences are available by visiting www.maconfuneralhome.com.

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