

## **Mrs. Messer**

Bertha Ann Green Messer, 102, of the Liberty community, died Thursday, Oct. 23, in Angel Community Hospital.

A native of Haywood County, she was the daughter of the late John and Mary Wyke Green and the wife of Cicero Messer, who died in 1967.

Surviving are a daughter, Lola Shepherd of Franklin; a stepdaughter, Molly Poteet of Spartanburg, S.C.; five sons, Bill Bradley of Buford, Ga., Grandville Messer of Bryson City, Roy Messer of Brevard, Fred Messer of Greenville, S.C., and Ernest Messer; a brother, Will Green of Waynesville; 45 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Liberty Baptist Church, of which she was a charter member. The Revs. Andy Cloer, Alton Dendy and Wesley Hooper officiated. Burial was in

Shepherd Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Moody Farm Ministries, c/o Mrs. Amelia Johnson, P.O. Box 1123, Franklin, N.C. 28734.