

John Richard Miller, 85, of Franklin, passed away Monday, Nov. 27, 2006.

A native of Marion, Ohio, he was the son of the late Clyde M. and Edna L. Bader Miller. He was preceded in death by six sisters and a grandson, Matthew Klonkowski.

Mr. Miller was a general contractor in construction and commercial building; a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy and belonged to the Naval Reserve; a member of the Brasstown Wood Turners Association; and was of the Methodist faith.

Surviving are his wife of 63 years, Geraldine Miller; two children, John R. Miller II and wife Becke of Sedona, Ariz., and Kay Bea Klonkowski and husband Laurel Jr. of Franklin; three grandchildren, Jason Klonkowski of Duluth, Ga., Christine Haynes of Phoenix, Ariz., and Jeffrey Miller of Springdale, Alaska; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held Friday, Dec. 1, at 11 a.m., at Rush Cemetery. Rev. Gary McCoy will officiate. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Angel Hospice Foundation, P.O. Box 815, Franklin, NC 28744.

Macon Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

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

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