

Betty Jo Tallent Nichols, 61, of Otto, N.C., died Sunday, March 2, 2008.

She was born in Macon County, N.C., to the late Henry and Dora Jones Tallent. She was preceded in death by a half brother, Jimmy Keener.

Survivors include: her husband of 40 years, Bobby Nichols; two daughters, Elizabeth Nichols and Roberta Nichols, both of Otto; three sisters, Daisy Sanders of Mountain City, Cora Lee Scott of Franklin and Barbara Mashburn of Arden, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Newman Chapel Baptist Church with the Rev. Tom Larocca officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Jackie Scott, Tony Nichols, James Hopkins, David Nichols, Adam Hopkins and Charlie Blaine served as pallbearers.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1648, Franklin, NC 28744. Macon Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. An online guestbook is available at www.maconfuneralhome.com

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