

Lawrence Elmer Phillips

Lawrence Elmer Phillips, 74, of Shiver Phillips Drive, Franklin, passed away Monday, Jan. 1, 2007 at a local nursing home.

A native of Macon County, he was the son of the late Charlie C. and Nizzie Arnold Phillips. He was married 40 years to Edna Sanders Phillips, who passed away Nov. 28, 2002.

He was a school bus driver and was in the landscaping business.

He is survived by two sons, Nathaniel Lawrence "Larry" Phillips and Benjamin "Benny" John Phillips, both of Franklin; three grandchildren, Joe Denmark of Sylva, Chrissy and Ben Phillips Jr., both of Franklin; and two great-grandchildren, Dion and Christopher Denmark of Sylva.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 11 a.m., at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with Revs. Robert Dryman and Josh Brooks officiating.

Burial will be at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Paul Benedict, Bill Norris, David Roberts, Bobby Peek, Luke Stinett, and Kenneth Carver. Honorary pallbearers will be Dallas Sanders, Donald Sanders, Terry Peek, Clay Peek, Robert Randall and James Neusenschwander.

The family received friends Tuesday, Jan. 2, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Bryant Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Relay for Life, P.O. Box 1648, Franklin, NC 28744.

Bryant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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