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Charles "Chick" Bryson

Franklin - Charles "Chick" Harris Bryson, 91 of 30 Pressley Road, died Saturday at the Charles George Veteran's Community Living Center in Asheville, North Carolina.

A native of Macon County, he was the eleventh surviving child of Earvin Felix and Paralee Brooks Bryson. He was preceded in death by three sons, Samuel Ted Ledford, Harrison Eugene Bryson and Charles "Tommy" Bryson.

He leaves to survive, his wife Mildred Bryson, daughters Yvonne Bryson of Franklin, NC and Bobbie Bryson of Crofton, MD, one son Bert Bryson of Canton, NC, grandchildren Kimberly of Charlotte, NC, Jada and Norman Bryson of Franklin, three great-grandchildren, a half-sister Ann Burgess Hall of Franklin, and a host of nieces and nephews.

He was a Private First Class in the United States Army's 92nd Division. Private Bryson served his country in Italy. His tour of duty was from 1942-1945.

Many years were worked at Cunningham Feed Store, Burlington Industries Hosiery Mill, Burlington Industries Rabun Plant and the U. S. Forest Service Older American Program.

He was a long time member at St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church where he served on the Vestry Board as Senior and Junior Warden. He attended Burgess Chapel and was a faithful member of the church choir "The Joy Bells". Currently, he was attending church at Liberty Baptist Church in Sylva, NC where he was a member of the Men's Choir and Holy Tabernacle also in Sylva, NC.

He was known through out the county for his love of singing, dancing and walnuts.

In October 2009, Chick was priviledged to participate in the Honor Air trip to Washington, DC to visit the World War II memorial. In January 2010, The Macon County Human Relations Council awarded Chick the Outstanding Honoree Award for being the sole surviving African American World War II veteran in Macon County.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at 1:00 pm in the Chapel of Bryant-Grant Funeral Home. Burial will be in St. Cyprian's Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 pm Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at Bryant-Grant Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to The Waynesville Corps of The Salvation Army, 290 Pigeon St., Waynesville, NC 28786.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
Online condolences are available by visiting bryantgrantfuneralhome.com or by email.