



## **Iva Jean Harmon Parrish**

Mrs. Iva Jean Harmon Parrish, 75, of 316 Carolina Street, Dobson, a native and former resident of Watauga County, died Monday, August 1, 2005, at Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home in Winston-Salem, after a long illness.

She was born July 24, 1930, in Sugar Grove, to the late George W. and Iva Lee Tester Harmon.

Mrs. Parrish graduated from Cove Creek High School and Appalachian State Teachers College. She worked as office manager for the State of New Jersey and other businesses until 1992, at which time she retired and moved from Hackettstown, New Jersey to Dobson. She was a member of Willow Valley Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 52 years, Lewis T. Parrish; three sons, Major Lewis M. Parrish (USAF, Retired) and wife, Karen, of Melbourne, Fla.; M/Sgt. Eric H. Parrish and wife, Nancy, of Pope AFB in Fayetteville, and T/Sgt. George A. Parrish and wife, Stacie, of Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro; one daughter, Tama Byrnes and husband, Steven, of Simpsonville, S.C.; a foster daughter, Michele Hatzis of Royersford, Pa.; four brothers, Raymond Harmon and wife, Sue, of Boone; Oscar Harmon and wife, Joanne, of Hixson, Tenn.; Albert Harmon and wife, Esther, of West Jefferson; and Len D. Harmon of Sugar Grove; one sister, Maxie Cooke and husband, Arthur, of Sugar Grove. She is also survived by two grandsons, five granddaughters, one foster granddaughter and seven nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a son, Jeffrey T. Parrish.

Services were conducted this afternoon (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. at Willow Valley Baptist Church, officiated by the Rev. Ray Greene. Burial followed in the Willow Valley Church Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Willow Valley Baptist Church, P.O. Box 277, Vilas, N.C. 28692.

Arrangements by Hampton Funeral Service.