

Jessie W. Brice

BLAIR - Jessie W. Brice died Friday, July 11, 1997.

Services conducted by the Rev. Mark Monroe and the Rev. Leonard Simmons were held Tuesday, July 15, 1997 at Hassion Hill Baptist Church in Blair.

Pallbearers were members of the Silver Hall Masonic Lodge #128 and floral bearers were his nieces.

Born in Fairfield County, he was the son of the late Mr. John L. and Mrs. Bessie Camak Brice. He became a member of Hassion Hill Baptist Church at an early age and was educated in the public schools of Fairfield County. He enlisted in the United States Marines Corps, serving his country in the Korean Conflict. He also joined the Fairfield County Sheriff's Department and achieved the ranks of lieutenant and captain, the first African-American to attain these ranks in the history of the department. After leaving the Sheriff's Department, he became an independent owner-operator of a long distance carrier and in 1996, he followed out a lifelong dream and went to Alaska, where he had an extended fishing expedition bringing home salmon, king cod and halibut.

Survivors are his wife, Hattie Robertson Brice; daughter Tangee B. Jacobs; two grandchildren, John W. Jacobs and Jada Denise Jacobs; sisters Mary Ellen Thompson, and Frances N. Silvera; seven sisters-in-law, Beatrice Padgett, Sarah Guider, Dorothy Martin, Sallie R. Banks, Fannie R. Davis Constance R. Bookert, and Carrie R. Grady; two brothers-in-law, Thomas C. Robertson and Arthur Robertson Jr.; and other relatives.

Russell-McCutchen Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. 7/31/97