

# OBITUARIES

## Russell

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### BOHANNON

Mr. Melton Bohannon known to all as "Bo," 510 Freedom Street, Apt. 10-B, Winston-Salem, passed away Jan. 5 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

He was born Jan. 20, 1929, in Statesville, the second son of the late Ila and General Bohannon. Melton Bohannon attended Forsyth County schools and graduated from Guilford Technical College. He resided for many years in Washington, D.C., where he was employed for the U.S. Department of Defense. He later lived in New York City before returning to Winston-Salem in 1962. He retired from the American Red Cross. He was a member of Second Calvary Baptist Church.

He is survived by: one brother, General Bohannon of Santa Monica, Calif.; three sisters, Gloria B. McClellan (Joe), Elnora Mumford, both of Winston-Salem, and Brenda B. Enoch of Lewisville; two nieces, Latreva "Treva" Mumford of New York, N.Y., Patrice Sheff (Richard) of Lewisville; three nephews, Christopher "Moon" Mumford, one devoted, Vincent Mumford, both of Winston-Salem, and Andre "Carlos" Mumford (Mechelle) of Rural Hall; one great-nephew and three great-nieces; a devoted friend, Robin Handy; a godson, Joran Handy; other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 9 at 3 p.m. at Second Calvary Baptist Church. Rev. Donald Stowe officiated. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### HARRIS

Mr. Leroy Harris, known as "Buster" and "Harry," 4911 Brian Center Lane, formerly of 1944 Lansing Drive, Winston-Salem, passed away Dec. 29 at Brian Center following a period of illness. He was born on Sept. 17, 1909, in Lancaster, S.C., to the late Ransom and Patsy Harris. He lived in North Carolina in his early years and moved to Winston-Salem during his teen-age years. He was employed for years in several positions as chauffeur, taxi driver, house painter and was owner of two gas stations. He owned "Harry's Motors" for more than 50 years.

He leaves to cherish his memory: a loving daughter and son-in-law, Audrey L. Stephens and CWO4 Jerry W. Stephens of Virginia Beach, Va.; three granddaughters, Telma, Andrea and LaNiece Stephens of Virginia Beach; two great-granddaughters; 10 nieces, Lizzie Mack, Sarah Craig, Larnette Mobley, Retha Anderson, Cecilia Johnston, Arlena Mobley, Annie Weddington and Catherine Stinson, all of Charlotte, Carrie Chapman, Dorothy Robinson of Washington, D.C.; one nephew, Willie McDow of Charlotte; a longtime devoted friend, Thelma Foster of Virginia Beach; two very special friends, Harlena Wright and Doris Gray of Winston-Salem; a host of other relatives, friends and well-wishers.

The funeral was held Jan. 4 at 1 p.m. at the Chapel of Russell Funeral Home. Rev. Theophilis Carter officiated. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### JONES

Ms. Cassandra Darlette Jones, 3910 Shamel Street, Winston-Salem, passed away on Jan. 4 at Forsyth Medical Center. She was born on May 29, 1967, in Winston-Salem to Dianna S. Jones and the late Charlie L. Jones. She was a graduate of North Forsyth High School and Forsyth Technical College in business management. She was a lifelong member of Mount Zion Baptist Church, where she was a Young Adult Missionary and a member of the Inspirational Choir, the Signal Ministry and the Pastor Bible Study. She was a member of the board of directors of the Sickle Cell Foundation of Winston-Salem. She was employed as office manager for Plymouth Printing Co. and a substitute teacher for First Assembly Christian School.

She is survived by: her dear mother, Dianna S. Jones of the home; two sisters, Pamela Williams (Dwayne) and Selina Jones; one brother, Karl L. Jones Sr.; her grandmothers, Minnie S. Jones of Winston-Salem and Jane Caesar of Bermuda; her grandfather, Kenneth Simons of Bermuda; a devoted friend, Chris Allen; other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 8 at 2 p.m. at Mount Zion Baptist Church. Dr. Serenus T. Churn officiated. Burial followed at the family plot of Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### LEWIS

Ms. Geraldine Barbara "Gerrit" Lewis, 400 Bacon Street, Winston-Salem, passed away on Jan. 2 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She was born on May 14, 1932, to Mattie Hall Lewis and the late Johnny Clifton Lewis. She attended Emmanuel Lutheran Boarding School in Greensboro and William Penn High School in Philadelphia, Pa. She worshipped at Berean Baptist Church while in Philadelphia. Upon returning to Winston-Salem, she joined Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church, where she was a faithful member until her health declined.

She is survived by: her loving mother, Mattie Lewis of the home; a host of devoted cousins, other relatives, goddaughters, church family, care-givers, attentive neighbors and many friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 7 at 2 p.m. at Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church. Elder Moses L. Edwards Sr. officiated. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### PIGFORD

Mr. William Edward Pigford, 2306 Greenway Ave., Winston-Salem, passed away unexpectedly on Jan. 2 at John Umstead Hospital in Butler. He was born Aug. 17, 1957, to Amos E. Pigford and Thelma Jarrett Pigford in Winston-Salem. He was a former member of Union Chapel Baptist Church and a graduate of North Forsyth High School, Class of 1975.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved parents, Amos and Thelma Pigford of the home; one dear brother, Ronald E. Pigford; a loving sister, Evelyn Rose Pigford Acree, and her husband, J. Frederick Acree; his grandmother, Irene Jarrett; two aunts, Juanita Fisher of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Earnestine Wardlow of Winston-Salem; two uncles, Richard Jarrett and Leander Pigford, both of Winston-Salem; a very special great-aunt, Mrs. Milrose Shores of Winston-Salem; nieces Rhonda Smith and Alexis Acree; one nephew, Jeremiah Pigford; many dear family members and friends; and a very special thanks to the doctors, nurses and care-givers at John Umstead Hospital.

The funeral was held Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. at the Chapel of Russell Funeral Home. Rev. Connie G. Robinson officiated. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### SMITH

Mrs. Edna E. Smith, 71 W. 112th Street, New York, N.Y., passed away on Dec. 31 in New York, N.Y.

She was born on June 25, 1911, in North Carolina to Victoria and Edward Turner. At an early age, Edna joined her grandfather's church, Piney Grove AME Church, and was currently a member of Rush Temple AME Zion Church in Jamaica, N.Y. She was employed in administrative work until she retired.

She was preceded in death by: her parents; son James; her brothers, Clarence, Charles, Norris, Bruce and Thomas; her sister, Marie, and granddaughter, Aurielle.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her husband, Alford Smith; son Alfred, and wife Adrian; three daughters, Victoria, Joyce Smith and Helen Davis; grandchildren Jean Lawrence, Gloria and James Campbell, Rodney and wife Lillian, James and wife Janice, Lauren and husband Anthony, Elaina, Nicole and husband Lamond, Efrain, Anthony, Jasmine, Precious, Ayrica and Christine; nieces and nephews, Liz, Margie, Earline, Eva, Mary, Eddie, Frank and Charles; sister-in-law Doris; 24 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; special friends Gloria Elrod, Ernestine Reid, Armenzer Holmes; and a host of other relatives and friends. She is locally survived by two cousins, Mrs. Mary Foote and Mrs. Earline Leach, both of Winston-Salem.

The funeral was held Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. at the Chapel of Russell Funeral Home. Burial followed at Rocky Creek AME Zion Church Cemetery in Harmony, N.C. Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

### SWOPES

Mrs. Leola Stewart Swopes, 3324 Briar Cliff Road, Winston-Salem, passed away Jan. 3 at Kate Bitting Reynolds Hospice Home.

She was born on Feb. 28, 1904, in Brighton, Ill., to the late Frank M. and Addie Henry Stewart. She moved to Alton, Ill., with her parents at a very young age. Mrs. Swopes was a seamstress by profession. She was married to Walter Swopes, who preceded her in death in 1983. She was also preceded in death by: five brothers, Wayman, Stewart, Frank M. Stewart, Isaac Stewart, John W. Stewart and Elmer Stewart; and three sisters, Lillie Perry, Harriett Jackson and Addie Mae Hutchinson.

She leaves to cherish fond memories: one devoted sister, Marian Manley (Frank T.) of Winston-Salem; a sister-in-law, Anna Grace Stewart (Elmer) of Alton, Ill.; four devoted nieces, June Burghardt (Charles) of Wahiawa, Hawaii, Brenda Manley and Charlotte Manley of Winston-Salem, Cassandra Manley of Greensboro; two nephews, Terry and Frank Manley of Winston-Salem; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 7 at 12:30 p.m. at Union Baptist Church, Alton, Ill. Burial followed at Alton City Cemetery. Cathy Williams and Sons Chapel, 1368 D'Adrian Professional Park, Alton, Ill., and Russell Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.



### INGRAM

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2).

The "time" as revealed by the wisdom of Solomon was realized on Jan. 1, 2002, in Winston-Salem when our beloved Fred Willis Ingram Sr. exchanged life on earth for eternal rest and peace.

He was born March 18, 1934, to the late Major Sr. and BeSSie Marshall Ingram. He was a lifelong resident of the city and a graduate of Atkins High School. He attended Russell's Business College and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. Mr. Ingram was a retired mechanic from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and was of the Baptist faith. He joined Mars Hill Baptist Church at an early age.

Love for his family and others was evident by his enthusiasm for life, genuine concern and expressions of devotion. We who are left behind trust in love and understanding of the all-wise God in the assurance that someday all things will be made plain as we surrender him into his keeping.

As his presence was felt, so will it be greatly missed and cherished by: his wife, Barbara Kelly Ingram of the home; three children, Fred W. Ingram Jr. of Baltimore, Md., Michael (Sandra) Ingram, Valerie and devoted son-in-law, Kelvin Hazel, all of Winston-Salem; four sisters, Dallis M. Crosby of Newark, N.J., Helen (John) Brown of Palmer Park, Md., Annie M. Searcy of Inglewood, Calif., and Willie J. (Clarence) Simpson of Los Angeles, Calif.; two aunts, Kathleen Little and Willa Little, both of Wadesboro, N.C.; five grandchildren, Rodney Robinson of Bear, Del., Miracle Ingram, Ashley and Ashford Hazel, all of Winston-Salem, and Myae'sha Ingram of Baltimore; one goddaughter, Debra Henry of Baltimore; two sisters-in-law, Shirley (Jacob) Allen of Raleigh and Patricia Kelly of Winston-Salem; extended family Brenda R. (Royce) Burris and Lamont Robinson, all of Charlotte; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 5 at 1 p.m. at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Dr. Serenus T. Churn officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery with military rites. Hooper Funeral Home directors were in charge of the arrangements.

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### ANDERSON

Mr. Myron E. Anderson, 111 Apt. L, E. Second Street, passed away Dec. 12 at Forsyth Medical Center. He was a native of Winston-Salem and a former employee of Forsyth Medical Center. Mr. Anderson attended New Gospel Tabernacle.

He is survived by: his wife, Samantha S. Anderson of the home; his mother, Mrs. Gloria B. Anderson of Winston-Salem; a brother, Kevin Wayne (Stephanie) Anderson of Newport News, Va.; his mother-in-law, Ms. Thelma Sloan of Winston-Salem; six aunts; four uncles; three great-aunts; a great-uncle; a niece, KeNeshia Lyons of Winston-Salem; a nephew, Kevin Wayne Anderson Jr. of Newport News; and several cousins.

The funeral was held Dec. 18 at 2:30 p.m. at New Gospel Tabernacle. Elder Rogers officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were in care of Douthit Funeral Services.

### CARRUTHERS

Mr. Leon Jerome Carruthers, a.k.a. Wag, of 274 Weisner Street, passed away Dec. 30 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. He was a native of this city, a graduate of Atkins High School and was a retired employee of Stroh's Brewery after 23 years.

He is survived by: five daughters, Tonya (Dereck) Caldwell of Charlotte, Leola (the Rev. Wayman) Monroe Jr. of Rural Hall and Cynthia (Donovan) Clark and Pamela McCellan, both of Winston-Salem, and Taleona (Kelvin) Mayfield of Kernersville; 13 grandchildren; two stepchildren, Tasha Smith and Twanna Carruthers, both of Winston-Salem; a niece, Tomasina Lentz of Michigan; two nephews, Quinton Drummond and Donald-Ray Lineberger, both of Winston-Salem; a special friend, Renee Jackson of Winston-Salem; and a host of other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 5 at 12:30 p.m. at Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church, East Location. Pastor Sheldon McCarter officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were in the care of Douthit Funeral Services.

### CARSON

Mr. Harmon "Tick" Carson, 2006 Lincoln Ave., passed away Dec. 12 at Winston-Salem Rehabilitation and Health Care Center.

Mr. Carson was born June 11, 1940, to the late Hubert and Laura Hanes Carson. He was the owner of Carson and Sons Painting Co. Mr. Carson was a member of Union Baptist Church, where he served faithfully. He was educated in the local schools and was a graduate of Atkins High School. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and served with many community groups, Little League, Boys Baseball Club, Travel Club, Atkins High School Class of '61, Reunion of the Big Four High Schools of this city. He enjoyed helping others.

Mr. Carson leaves to cherish his precious memory: two sons, Christopher Laverne Carson Sr. and Harmon Carson Jr. and their fiancées, Keyonda Mitchell and Mary Cotton; four grandchildren, Christopher Lavern Carson Jr., Elijah Psalm Carson, Brandon Cotton and Jamiel Cotton, all of Winston-Salem; three sisters, Ruth (Vanwood) Banner, Emogene Johnson, both of Winston-Salem, Mildred (Robert) Burgess of Rochester, N.Y.; three brothers, Albert (Barbara) Carson, Leon (Willie Mae) Carson and Ernest (Brenda) Carson, all of Winston-Salem; four sisters-in-law, Regina Carson of Winston-Salem, Thelma Miller of Silver Spring, Md., Pauline M. (George) Mitchell of Winston-Salem, and Elmena (Ronnie) Jean of East Orange, N.J.; three brothers-in-law, James Miller of Winston-Salem, Fred K. Miller of Goldsboro and James Kers of Durham; an aunt, Fannie J. Carson of Winston-Salem; a devoted friend, Barbara Baker of Winston-Salem; special friends, Clatis McClinton, Jake Arnold and Julius Goodson; a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Dec. 17 at 1 p.m. at Union Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. Sir Walter Mack Jr. officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were in care of Douthit Funeral Services.

### MCCULLOUGH

Mrs. Helen T. McCullough, 1611 McPherson Street, Greensboro, passed away Dec. 27 at Moses Cone Hospital. She was a native of Orangeburg, S.C. Mrs. McCullough was a member of Mt. Zion United Church of God, where she was on the Mothers Board. While in Winston-Salem, she was a faithful member of Mercy Seat Holiness Church.

She is survived by: a faithful and dedicated husband, Alphonzo W. McCullough of the home; one daughter, Barbara M. Shuler of Greensboro; two sons, Alonzo W. McCullough Jr. (Linda) of Fort Smith, Ark., and Ronald McCullough (Arlesia) of Atlanta, Ga.; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; one sister, Adele Fair of Winston-Salem; one brother, David Lee Thomas; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Dec. 31 at 2 p.m. at Mt. Zion United Church of God. Elder Bernard Curry officiated. Interment followed in Lakeview Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were in care of Douthit Funeral Services.

### TODD

Mr. Daniel Drummond Todd Sr. of 1906 Short Street passed away Dec. 17 at Forsyth Medical Center. He was a native of Spartanburg, S.C., and was a retired employee of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. and Hanes Mall. Mr. Todd was a member of Mars Hill Baptist Church, where he was a deacon and former Sunday school teacher.

He is survived by: his wife, Mrs. Carolyn W. Coleman-Todd of the home; a daughter, Dorothy T. Brown; two sons, Daniel Todd Jr. of Winston-Salem, and James D. Todd of Sanford; a stepson, Norman (Susan) Coleman of Winston-Salem; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and several other relatives and friends. The funeral was held Dec. 22 at 1 p.m. at Mars Hill Baptist Church. Rev. K.E. Lilly officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were in care of Douthit Funeral Services.

### WEST


Mr. John E. West, 2241 Glenn Ave., passed away Jan. 2 at Forsyth Medical Center. He was a native of Davie County and was a retired employee of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. Mr. West was a member of Cedar Creek Baptist Church, where he was a deacon.

He is survived by: a very devoted wife, Mrs. Willie Mae Scott West of the home; one daughter, Mary W. (Carlyle) Reynolds of the city; two sons, Anthony Ray (Wanda) Scott of Houston, Texas, and Herman Lee (Cynthia) West of Mocksville; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; four brothers, Glenn E. (Margie) West of Spring Lake, N.C., Hubert A. (Millie) West Sr. of Mocksville, Joe C. (Janet) West of Columbus, Ohio, and Benjamin H. (Lillie) West of Avon Park, Fla.; an aunt, Pearl Eaton of Bronx, N.Y.; two sisters-in-law, Sadie West of Winston-Salem and Olivia West of Goldsboro; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. at Cedar Creek Baptist Church. Rev. Michael Linville officiated. Interment followed at Piedmont Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were in care of Douthit Funeral Services.

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