IN MEMORIAM

BOSTON

Mr. Edgar "Eddie" Boston, 83 of Beechmont Avenue, Winston-Salem, N.C. went home to be with the Lord on Monday, January 5, 2009 at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home of Winston-Salem, NC.

He was born in Alexander County, N.C. on May 27, 1925 to the late Johnny Boston and Amanda Little Boston.

He is survived by his loving wife, Betty Jean Dula Boston of the home; his son, Ricky Boston of Winston-Salem, NC; a grandson, Donovan Boston of Winston-Salem, N.C.; one sister, Willie Mae Perry of Taylorsville, NC; and a host of other family members and friends.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Friday, January 9, 2009 from the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church with Bishop Sherwood Davis officiating. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. The family visitation will be held from 12:30pm until 1pm on Friday at the Church.

The family wishes to extend sincere appreciation to the staff of Hospice, as well as Dr. Grote and the staff of the Forsyth Medical Cancer Center for their loving care of Edgar during his long fight with cancer.

Online condolence can be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

FLAKE

Mother Elsie Mae Allen-Flake, the daughter of the late Frank and Lula Ingram Allen and matriarch of the Allen family was born on December 25, 1912 in Anson County, N.C. and entered into eternal rest on Sunday, December 28, 2008 at the Forsyth Medical Center, Winston-Salem, NC.

Mother Flake's entire life was dedicated to nurturing and caring for others as she ministered to the needs of her many family members in sickness and health. She also reared the majority of her grandchildren who affectionately call her "Ma."

Mother Flake assisted in the miracle birthing, as she was a midwife for many years. Her love and compassion for others was endless as she never met a stranger. Even as a resident of the Oak Forest Rehabilitation Center (Nursing Center at Oak Summit), she always reminded the staff there to "Do the right thing," and that "God was taking care of her." The staff loved her as they affectionately called her "Grandma."

Mother Flake served God with all her might, as was evidenced in the way she endured life's trial and tribulations. She was a dedicated lifelong member of Pee Dee Baptist church of Lilesville, N.C., where she was Mother of the Church. She was also a member of Brown New Calvary Baptist Church of Thomasville, N.C., where she was a member of the Spiritual Choir. Many times in devotional services, she would proclaim her life testimony: "Til I die, die, die. Til I die Oh Lord, I'm gonna serve God anyhow, til I Die."

Mother Flake was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Flake; children, Robert L. Flake, Sr., Dotsie Lue Flake, and Jessie M. Flake-Gould; great grandson, Glenn E. MacRall, Jr.; and 14 siblings.

Mother Flake is survived by a family that she very passionately loved and adored; four loving and devoted daughters, Geneva F. Horne (Theodore, Sr.) of Lilesville, N.C., devoted caregiver, Madame Mary L. Flake-Haynie (James), Margie R. Flake (George Wilson, Jr.) both of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Mary Frances Patterson of Hamden, C.T.; two sons, Dr. James W. Flake (Debra) of Lexington, N.C. and Esiah "June" Ingram (Mary) of Brooklyn, N.Y.; one sister, Nora M. Cox of Woodbridge, V.A.; two brothers, James Allen and Jermon Allen both of Winston-Salem, N.C.; a devoted granddaughter Varia A. "Val" Haynie; a sister-in-law, Mary Allen of New Bern, N.C.; 23 grandchildren, 41 great grandchildren, and 13 great, great grandchildren; loving and devoted nieces, Mable Guttman of Fort Washington, M.D., Leola Brown of Brooklyn, N.Y., Bertha Benton of Manhattan, N.Y., Louise Hawthorne of Corapolis, P.A.; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A homegoing celebration was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 3, 2009 at the Macedonia Worship Center. Apostle S.D. Johnson officiated. Interment followed in the Pee Dee Baptist Church Cemetery, Lilesville, N.C. Family visitation was held from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Online condolences can be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

FULTON

John Justice Fulton, 93, of 1655 Piney Grove Road, Kernersville, NC, departed this life Monday evening, January 5, 2009 at Forsyth Medical Center in Winston-Salem, NC. He was born in Forsyth County May 14, 1915 to John William Fulton and Rosa Hilton Fulton where he also attended the Public Schools.

He retired as a small farm operator and from South East Lumber Company. He was a long time member of Oak Grove Baptist Church where he was an active member of various Boards and Organizations.

He leaves to cherish his memory, a devoted wife of 71 years, Cora Lowery Fulton; a loving brother, Clifton Fulton, Sr. of Kernersville, NC; a beloved sister, Neva Taylor, of Walkertown, NC; four sons, Justice Carl Wesley Fulton,(Millie) of Mocksville, NC, Ronald Lee Fulton (Joyce), the Rev. Clay V. Fulton (Bernell) of Kernersville, NC, and Timothy M. Fulton (Ann) of High Point, NC; he leaves eleven grand children, eleven great grand children, and one great, great grandchild, and a host of other cousins and friends.

Homegoing services were held at 1 p.m. Friday, January 9, 2009 at Oak Grove Baptist Church at 3978 Pine Hall Road, Walkertown, N.C. Rev. I. L. Anthony officiating. Interment followed in Eastlawn Gardens of Memory, Kernersville, N.C.

Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservicees.com.

Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

JOHNSON

Mr. John Wesley Johnson, 81, expired December 22, 2008 at Forest Oaks Health and Rehabilitation Center following a long illness. He was born January 11, 1927 in Forsyth County to Dannie Hugh Johnson and Minnie Marshall Johnson. He was predeceased by his parents, a step-mother, Lizzie Johnson, a daughter, Shirley Flippin and many other relatives. Johnnie attended the local public schools and was a former employee of Better Home Furniture Company until moving to Washington, DC where he retired as a bank security guard. After returning home after retirement, he spent his final years enjoying the company of his children and grandchildren.

He was a big fan of western movies. Receiving picture frames to hang the numerous photos he collected all through his home was always a welcomed gift. He loved to sing and could whistle as perfect as he could sing, especially "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". He leaves to cherish his precious memory a devoted wife to the end, Dr. Alice Acker Johnson; three daughters: Linda Johnson Sutton, Bonita Johnson (Delbert) Gray, and Marilyn (Gregory) Gilliam of Winston-Salem; five sons: Wesley Johnson and Orlando Johnson of Rome, Italy; Marvin Johnson and Randall Johnson of Winston-Salem; Darius (Cleopatra) Simmons of Kernersville; a Godson, Carl Ray (Sandra) Johnson of Winston-Salem; granddaughters: LaToya Gray (Fleming) El-Amin and Nicole Gilliam of Raleigh; Alicia Gray and Monica Flippin of Winston-Salem, LaTasha Morrison (Monticello) Sinclair of Charlotte, Romina Johnson of London, England, Deborah and Alicia Johnson of Rome, Italy and Orleshia Burton (Edward) Vaughn of Raleigh; grandsons: Brian Morrison of Philadelphia, PA, Wesley Johnson, Jr., Curtis (Sherry) Gilliam and William Gray of Winston-Salem, Harvey (Melissia) and Marcus (Deborah) Sutton of Winston-Salem, Linell (Lynette) Johnson and Darius Simmons, II of Kernersville, Weslina Johnson and Michelle Leverne Johnson of London, England; niece, Marsha Evans of Detroit, MI; nephew, Darrell Gwyn of Winston-Salem; first cousins: Edmund Johnson of Washington, DC and Thomasina McQueen of Ridgeland, Miss; 27 great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

A Homegoing service was held at 12:30 PM Tuesday, December 30, 2008 in the chapel of Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home with Dr. Seth O. Lartey, officiating. Interment in Evergreen Cemetery.(Clark S. Brown & Sons)

WEAVER

For I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith.- II Timothy 4 (6-7)

A wife, a mother, and a good friend, Mrs. Osceola L. Weaver departed this earthly life on December 29, 2008 at Forsyth Memorial Center. Born on May 17, 1932, Mrs. Weaver's early childhood began at the Lutheran School in Greensboro, North Carolina and continued on through college. She began work at the DuPont Company moving on to "Experiment In Self Reliance" as a Case Manger; she retired in 1994. Bearing four children and being the humble and meek person that she was, Mrs. Weaver enjoyed her retirement with her travel club, "The Odyssey Club." Under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Sir Walter L. Mack, Jr., Mrs. Weaver became a member of Union Baptist Church and participated in several ministries until her health declined. Mrs. Weaver leaves great memories of their time together for her husband of thirty years, Mr. Harold Bess Weaver. She also leaves to mourn two sons Gregory Higgins, William (Diana) Higgins, two daughters Osceola (Billy) Higgins and Nannette (Ronald) Taylor, two stepdaughters Sandra (Steve) Dunbar-Allen, Gail Linda Thomas, two stepsons Franklin Higgins and Richard Higgins, twenty four grandchildren (LaDonna McIlwain, Alshcia Williams, Talley Williams, Tremaine Rorie, Nashika Higgins, Lucinda Higgins, Tanja Weber, Denny Lo Guidice, Brianna Higgins, Caryna Higgins, Kenyanna Higgins, Lakeisha Harrell, Charles Walker, Jr., Richard Walker, Sr., Tevin Davis, Tyrone Woods, Trinity Woods, Lemar Hunter, Marcus Allen, Natalie Allen, Deborah Higgins, Susan Higgins, Lamonte Higgins, and Richard Higgins, III, Devanta Higgins, LoraAnn Higgins, Darsella Higgins), twenty one great-grandchildren (Mikkella McIlwain, Hakeem Chandlee-Williams, Christina Brown, Aaliyah Brown, Tyara Brown, Samira Higgins, Salome Higgins, Charles I. Walker, Makaylah Walker, Charles Walker, III, Richard Walker, Jr., Eternity Hunter, Jessica Higgins, Shawnatee Higgins, Laguanda Higgins, Tremayne Higgins, Dominque Higgins, Todd Lewis, and Tory Lewis) four great-great-grandchildren (Zion Brown, Mark Higgins, Jarmal Higgins, and Jhani Higgins); one brother-in-law Ralph (Helen) Archie of Buffalo, NY and one sister-in-law Frances Price; two goddaughter Alexis Cloud and Charlene Duncan and two godsons Michael Phillips and William Carter and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 12 Noon, Saturday, January 3, 2009 at Union Baptist Church with Pastor Sir Walter Mack, Jr., eulogist. Interment was in Piedmont Memorial Gardens. (Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home)

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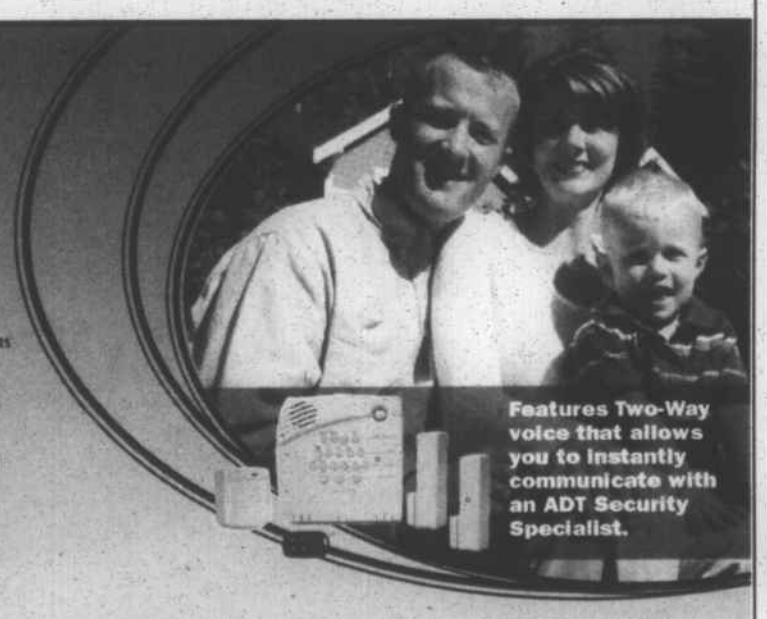

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