

# Obituaries

## Fletcher Crowder

Fletcher C. "Fletch" Crowder, 84, formerly of Ivy Gap community of Burnsville, died June 22 in Oak Hill, W.Va.

A native of Madison County, he was a son of the late Elbert and Trissie Hensley Crowder. He was a crafts shop operator and a Royal Arts Mason. He was a member of Bald

Creek Lodge No. 397 AF&AM and Lover's Leap Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Grace Honeycutt Crowder; a daughter, Betty M. Preast of Anstead, W.Va.; and six grandchildren.

Services were held last Thursday in the chapel of Holcombe Bros. Funeral Home. The Rev. Richard Lowe officiated. Burial was in Fox Creek Cemetery with masonic rites by Bald Creek Lodge.

## Ransom E. Bowman

Ransom E. Bowman, 83, of Newfound Road, Leicester, died Sunday.

A native of Alexander County, he had lived in Buncombe County since 1938. He retired from the bridge department of the state highway department and was a member of Corinth Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Retha Simons Bowman; two daughters, Nancy Randall and Janet Cartwright of

Asheville; three sisters, Nola Little, Fannie Tuthero and Braidie Reece, all of Hickory; three brothers, Gailther Bowman of Hazelwood, Bruce Bowman of Leicester and Odell Bowman of Hickory; 14 grandchildren; and, 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday in the chapel of Groce Funeral Home. The Revs. Charles Surrett and Charles Duvall officiated. Burial was in Corinth Baptist Church cemetery.

## Alvin Randolph

Alvin Vance Randolph, 59, of Aiken, S.C., died Saturday in an Augusta, Ga., hospital.

A native of Madison County, he had lived in Aiken for the past 34 years. He retired from DuPont and was a member of South Aiken Baptist Church. He was an Air Force veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Martha Jean Randolph; two sons, Randall S.

Randolph of Columbia, S.C., and Larry C. Randolph of Aiken; his mother, Alethea Tipton Randolph of Granite Falls; a brother, Calvin Randolph of Charlottesville, Va.; six sisters, Chick McDaris of Newton, Edith Crowder of Hendersonville, Addie Thomas of Asheville, Irene Jones of Dallas, Texas, Atlas Kuhns of Williamsburg, Va., and Jean Keith of Lyman, S.C.; and, a grandchild.

Services and burial were Tuesday in Aiken



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