Restaurant owner, Bataan vet dies

Ret. Sgt. Creston H. Rowland Jr., who owned and operated Rowland's Barbecue Restaurant for 17 years, died Monday morn-

Rowland was 65 and had suffered from a long illness.

Prior to coming to Hoke Coun-ty, Rowland had served in the U.S. Army for over 26 years until his retirement in 1966.

He was a veteran of World War II and was captured by the Japanese during action in the Pacific. Rowland was a survivor of the Bataan Death March.

For his service, Rowland was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, the American Defense Service Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Theatre Ribbon, the Phillippine Liberation Ribbon, the Phillipine Defense Ribbon, the Distinguished Unit Badge with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the World War II Victory Ribbon

and the Good Conduct Medal.

After the War, the Wake County native served in Alaska and returned to Ft. Bragg, where he

spent over 11 years as a ranger.
Following his retirement,
Rowland and his family reclaimed a swampy site near the Reservation and started a small store, which served items primarily to soldiers who used the road that ran by the property.

Barbecue sandwiches were eventually served and their popularity led him to open a two-room restaurant serving complete meals.

The facility has been expanded numerous times and has become one of the most popular in the

Rowland was also a pilot and did barn storming in his younger

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Galatia Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Dr. David Sutton. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Rowland is survived by his wife Estelle W. Rowland of the home; two sons: Creston H. (Bud) Rowland III of Raeford and Ar-chie Rowland of Raleigh; five daughters: Mrs. Cynthia Brady of daughters: Mrs. Cynthia Brady of Southern Pines, Mrs. Deborah Mills of Ft. Bragg, Mrs. Kay Wilburn of Aberdeen, Mrs. Theresa (Terry) Halliwell of Greensboro and Mrs. Diane Stec of Raeford; four brothers: Dr. James Rowland of Oxford, William Rowland of Kinston, Earl Rowland and Allen Rowland, both of Raleigh; three sisters: Mrs. Isabelle Coats of Raleigh, Mrs. Jean Holly of Greenville and Mrs. Frances Brown of Goldsboro; a step mother: Mrs. Alma Rowland Raleigh and nine grand

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Masonic Orphanage in Oxford or to the Galatia Presbyterian Church.

Crumpler Funeral Home was in-

Creston Rowland

Funeral home approved

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members of the City Council attend the meeting along with County Commissioners, Phillips said.

The county wants to get as many people as they can to go to the meeting to show the seriousness of the people about improving the road, Phillips said.

The City Council also discussed the need to hire another home health nurse.

The present nurse is retiring and a search is on for someone to

replace her, Phillips said.

The program, which at one time was under consideration to be transferred to the Department of

Social Services (DSS), appears like it will stay with the city, the Manager said.

DSS has a health program, but nothing close enough to the city's to allow consolidation of the two, Phillips said, adding that either practical or registered nurses will be considered for the job.

In other action, the council:

Passed a motion that the section of West Fifth Avenue at J.W. Turlington School be closed on September 8 so a carnival may be held there by the school.

 Approved a new taxicab service in town providing the operator of the service meets all state and local requirements to do so.

•Retired into an hour-long executive session to discuss matters of land acquisition. No action was taken after the session.

Deaths & Funerals

Branden Glenn Walters

Branden Glenn Walters, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. Walters died Monday.

Graveside services were held at

11 a.m. Thursday from the Com-munity United Methodist Church Cemetery with Rev. George Blanchard officiating.

Survivors in addition to the parents are: maternal grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.A. McRae, Vass, paternal grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie L. Walters, Raeford and paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Viola Fulk, Raeford.

Arrangements were handled by Powell Funeral Home of Southern

Rosemary Walker Mrs. Rosemary Walker, 43, died Friday morning in Womack Army

Community Hospital in Ft. Bragg. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Crumpler Funeral Home Chapel by Rev.

Russell Knowles.

Burial was in Cumberland
Memorial Gardens in Fayetteville.

Survivors are her husband: Ernest H. Walker; one son: Craig Walker of the home; one daughter:
Mrs. Cynthia Matthews of Elmont, New York; her mother:
Mrs. Carrie Riddle of Baltimore, Maryland; three brothers: Douglas Riddle of Huntsville, Texas; Robert Riddle of Fayetteville and

Carl Riddle of Baltimore, Maryland and one sister: Mrs.

Baltimore,

Denise Hughes of Fayetteville. The family was assisted by Crumpler Funeral Home.

Emma McDiarmid

Mrs. Emma McDiarmid, 88, died Saturday. Funeral services were at 4 p.m. Monday at Antioch Presbyterian Church by Rev.

Charles Ansley.

Burial was in the Raeford Cemetery.

Survivors are two step sons: Ar-chie McDiarmid of Raeford and W.B. McDiarmid of Route 1, Red Springs; one step daughter: Mrs. Kathryn Sebren of Rosemead, California; one brother: Joe Hearne of Mount Gilead; three sisters: Erma Dowd of White Oak; Mrs. Fleta Scarboro of Lumberton and Mrs. Rilla Farlow of High Point; 6 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Della Brock

Mrs. Della Brock, 88, died last Tuesday evening in Moore Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Friday at the Crumpler Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Dr. John

Burial was in Raeford Cemetery. Survivors are two nephews. The family was assisted by Crumpler Funeral Home.

Omission

In the July 5 edition of The News-Journal, in the obituary of George Pittman, the name of his son, Ricky Pittman was omitted as a survivor. We regret the omission.

. Suspects sought

when the juvenile entered the

building, reports say. Little is known about the youth, except that he is a runaway from a foster home in Robeson County,

say reports. The third marijuana bust in two weeks was made last Thursday after a Maxton man was allegedly found to be growing the illegal weed in Hoke County

Karl Locklear was arrested by Hoke County detectives who were working in cooperation with the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) and charged with manufacturing

marijuana, reports say SBI agents spotted the pot from the air before the arrest, reports say. There were five plants found

averaging about nine feet tall. The 31-year-old Locklear is out of jail, according to reports.

In another matter, James Jacobs reported to the sheriff's department that his trailer was broken in-

to while he was away last week.

A 19-inch color television set valued at about \$400 and about \$20 worth of canned food were reported missing, reports say.

A daylight video machine rob-

bery was reported to Raeford Police last week. During operating hours, some-one went into the money boxes of

machines at Video on Main Street, Wiggins

About \$40 in quarters was taken from the machines in the theft that occurred during operating hours, reports say.

A breaking and entering and larceny was reported at the Hoke Cotton Warehouse last Thursday. The apparent thieves entered the

building by breaking a window in the front door, Wiggins said. Found missing after the break-in was a \$150 chainsaw and several

keys, reports say. Bill's Carwash reported the theft of about \$6 in quarters from a coin box at the station, police reports

There was a bicycle stolen from

a Raeford resident last Sunday.

Jamie Johnson reported that his bike was valued at \$196, reports say.

Clarification

Tommy Barnes of Rt. 1, Box 115 Lumber Bridge is not the person who was reported in the July 5 edition of The News-Journal to have been charged with Driving While

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