



Raleigh. Mrs. Pam Howard Smith, Miss Bobbie Jean Howard of Pink Hill and Miss Mary Christmas Howard of Jacksonville, sisters of the bridegroom; Mrs. Cheryl Smith Rouse of Kinston, and Miss Hope Lane Toler of Princeton. Miss Jennifer Loree Schmitt, sister of the bride, was the junior bridesmaid. Mrs. Miriam Perry Barnes of Raleigh presided at the bridal register.

Houston Bodell Howard, father of the bridegroom, served as the best man. Groomsmen were Gerald Kent Johnson Jr. of Rocky Mount, brother-in-law of the bride; Raymond Gene Spear Jr. of Deep Run, Robert Leslie Turner, Houston Bodell Howard Jr., brother of the bridegroom, Bobby Glenn Smith, uncle of the bridegroom, Mitchell Wayne Smith, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, all of Pink Hill. Houston Bodell Howard III, nephew of the bridegroom, was the ringbearer.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was given by the parents of the bride in the West Haven Presbyterian Church fellowship hall. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kennedy greeted the guests. Mrs. Jean Howard of Pink Hill, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, and Miss Ginger Cummings of Pinetops served the wedding cake. Mrs. Angela Hill and Mrs. Gail Walters, both of Rocky Mount, served the punch.

After a wedding trip to Cypress Gardens, Florida, the couple will make their home in Pink Hill.

Bridal Entertainment

A surprise pantry shower was given for the bride by her college friends on August 13 in Pink Hill. Hostesses were Mrs. Gay Barnes, Miss Ginger Cummings, Mrs. Cheryl Rouse and Miss Hope Toler.

On August 14, a miscellaneous shower was given for the bride and bridegroom by family and friends of the bridegroom at the Pink Hill Presbyterian Church. Hostesses were Mrs. Pam Smith, Mrs. Jean Howard, Mrs. Hilda Grace Smith, Mrs. Lucille Smith, Miss Bobbie Howard, Miss Mary Howard, Mrs. Vera Turner and Mrs. Shirley Outlaw.

An ice cream supper was given honoring the couple on Friday, August 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Price. Hosting were

Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Laddie Crisp, Mr. and Mrs. Eloit Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lawrence, Mrs. Daisy James and Miss Karen James.

A pig picking for the couple was given by the parents of the bridegroom on Saturday, August 20 in Pink Hill.

A surprise shower was given for the bride by the employees, at First Citizens Bank on August 24.

A lingerie shower was given on August 27 for the bride by Mrs. Jeannette Johnson at her home.

A bridesmaid's luncheon was held on Sept. 3 at the Depot. This was given by Mrs. Amy Johnson, sister of the bride.

An after-rehearsal dinner was given by the parents of the bridegroom on Sept. 9 at the Ramada Inn for the members of the wedding party.

Birthday Reception Held For Blackmore

On Saturday afternoon, Sept. 10, the family of Mary Alice Blackmore held a reception for her honoring her on her 75th birthday. The reception was held in the Powell Hall of the Warsaw Baptist Church, which had been arranged with an autumn setting.

Arrangements of flowers in brass, silver and crystal containers were placed throughout the room. The table was covered with a white cloth with a yellow chrysanthemum and ferns tied with white satin ribbon forming a bow with streamers at the four corners of the table. Candles in silver candleholders lighted the table. The birthday cake was iced with white with the number 75 atop, pink iced roses circled the cake and across the top leaving space for "Happy Birthday, Mary Alice." Mrs. Ruby Blackmore and Mrs. James Blackmore served fruit punch, homemade cheese wafers, homemade mints and nuts from the table.

Mrs. Frank Blackmore welcomed the guests at the door and at the guest book where they registered.

Frank Blackmore and Dr. James Blackmore greeted and welcomed the guests throughout the reception.



SANDLIN'S CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY - Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sandlin of Pink Hill were honored by their children on their fiftieth anniversary with a surprise reception on Saturday, August 27, at 5 p.m. The event was held at the home of Elwood and Joyce Jones at 807 N. Church Street in Mount Olive. The Sandlins were married in Duplin County on August 26, 1933. Their son and daughter are Jimmy Ray Sandlin of Pink Hill and Joyce Jones of Mount Olive. Those who attended the reception included the following: Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ray Sandlin and their children, Brad and Jerry of Pink Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Jones of Mount Olive, Reba and Bill Jones, Patricia Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Bell and their children, Kevin and Angel, Mr. and Mrs. Timmy Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gay and Carolyn and James Herring, all of Mount Olive. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holmes and son, Michael of Calypso. Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Sandlin of Seven Springs, Ms. Annie Gresham of Beulaville, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hill, Beatrice Pike and Beatrice Stroud, all of Kinston. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kennedy, Ms. Eunice West, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Speck Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. Cagie Houston and their daughter Donna, Mrs. Shirley Brown and her daughter Crystal, all of Pink Hill. The Sandlins have five grandchildren and one great-grandson. They had a wonderful time and received many nice gifts.

Auctioneering Contest To Highlight Duplin Fair

The 1983 Duplin Agribusiness Fair will feature the second annual Tobacco Auctioneering contest on Thursday night of the fair (Oct. 6) at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the old Kenansville elementary school. Anyone is eligible to compete. It is not required that the individual be licensed.

Contestants will have the chance to show off their chants before the home crowd while taking bids from

celebrity bidders. The winner will reign for a year as the Duplin County Auctioneering Champion until the 1984 fair. Interested persons should contact J. Michael Moore at 296-1996 to pre-register for the contest.

Theatre At The Fair

The Duplin Community Theatre will present "Not Enough Rope" by Elaine May at the Duplin Agribusiness Fair. The one-act comedy "Not Enough Rope" will be presented Oct. 3, 4 and 5 in the William R. Kenan Memorial Amphitheatre on the fairgrounds in Kenansville. The play will be approximately 40 minutes in length and is free with gate admission to the fair.

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Howard - Schmitt United In Marriage

Miss Lydia Annette Schmitt became the bride of Woodrow Clay Howard at three o'clock Saturday, September 10. The wedding vows were exchanged at West Haven Presbyterian Church.

The Reverend John Alexander officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Wedding music was provided by Mrs. Linda Ruffin, organist, and Mrs. Gay Barnes, soloist. Mrs. Rose Gardner directed the wedding and flowers were arranged by Mrs. Faye Taylor.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred John Schmitt Jr. of Rocky Mount and escorted by her father.

She wore her mother's wedding dress, her paternal grandmother's pearls and carried her mother's white Bible that she carried on her wedding day.

The bride is a 1979 graduate of Southwest Edgecombe High School and a 1983 graduate of East Carolina University school of business. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Bodell Howard of Pink Hill. He is a 1979 graduate of South Lenoir High School and is presently employed with The New W.H. Jones Company.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Amy Schmitt Johnson of Rocky Mount, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Fran Howard Rogers of

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