

Area Deaths And Funerals

RALPH L. PRICE

Ralph Lee Price, 66, of Shallotte, retired county executive director of the federal Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, died Saturday morning in New Hanover Memorial Hospital in Wilmington.

The funeral was held Monday at Grace Baptist Church with Rev. Howard Carrigan and Rev. Claude King officiating. Burial was in Columbus Memorial Park in Whiteville.

He was born in Gaston County on June 30, 1918, the son of the late William Lee Price and Mrs. Martha Ray Price of Clarendon. He had served with the U.S. Army as a sergeant with the 326th Army Air Force Unit.

Survivors in addition to his mother include his wife, Mrs. Velma Williams Price of the home; three sons, William David Price and James Edward Price of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Betty Ruth Faulk of Hilliard, Fla., and Mrs. Esther Mae Earp of Shallotte; three brothers, Jesse Floyd Price of Aberdeen, Billy Linwood Price of Oxford and Otis Carl Price of Siler City; four sisters, Mrs. Carrie Bell Stanley of Supply, Mrs. Eleanor Jackson of California, Miss Mada Alma Price and Mrs. Mary E. Williams, both of Clarendon; and two grandsons.

LOUISE C. FUTCH

Louise C. Futch, 63, of Wilmington, died unexpectedly at her home on March 15.

The funeral was held Monday at Gibson Avenue Baptist Church, of which she was a member. Rev. Joey Harrell officiated. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Futch was born in Brunswick County on Jan. 18, 1922, the daughter of the late Benjamin K. and Retha Sellers Cason. She was employed at the Chic-Chic Drive In for 28 years.

Survivors include her husband, Willie L. Futch of the home; two sons, William V. Hanchey of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Robert L. Hanchey of Reynoldsburg, Ohio; two daughters, Carol Gorman of Philadelphia, Pa., and Darlene Williams of Audubon, N.J.; two stepsons, Harold F. Futch of Holden Beach and CPO Woody L. Futch, with the U.S. Navy at Virginia Beach, Va.; a stepdaughter, Joan C. Atkins of Hampton, Va.; three sisters, Rita Verizzi of Miami, Fla., Lena Hawes of Shallotte and Bennie Peterson of Jacksonville, Fla.; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

OPHELIA C. SMITH

Ophelia Clemmons Smith, 87, of Wilmington died March 13 in Cape Fear Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

The funeral was held Saturday in the Coble Ward-Smith Oleander Chapel with Rev. Archie McKee officiating. Burial was in Oleander Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Smith was born in Brunswick County on Sept. 6, 1897, the daughter of the late Davis and Kitsy Gean Clemmons. She was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel Wilson Smith. She was a member of Temple Baptist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Richard A.S. (Estelle) Ryder, Mrs. William A. (Elease) Walker and Mrs. Gilda S. King, all of Wilmington; a brother, Elwood Clemmons of Supply; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

EVELINE R. ROGERS

Eveline Rackley Rogers, 86, of Southport, died March 14 in New Hanover Memorial Hospital in Wilmington following an extended illness.

The funeral was held Saturday at Bethel Baptist Church in Southport, of which she was a member. Rev. Ernest Oliver and Rev. J. Bryan Doshier officiated. Burial was in Northwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Rogers was born in Pender County on April 30, 1898, the daughter of the late George W. and Minnie Alice Wheeler Rackley.

Survivors include two sons, Roscoe Rogers Jr. and Albert B. Rogers, both of Southport; three daughters, Mrs. Earlin R. Garrish, Mrs. Lillie R. Morrill and Mrs. Emma Jane Willing, all of Southport; a brother, Ben Rackley of Willard; a sister, Mrs. Mae Rivenbark of Willard; nine grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

W. KIRK LEWIS

W. Kirk Lewis of Wilmington died Thursday in New Hanover Memorial Hospital following an extended illness.

The funeral was held Sunday in the Coble Ward-Smith Oleander Chapel. Rev. Billy Peele officiated, assisted by Rev. Ray Webb, Rev. John Creech and Rev. Ray Price. Burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Lewis was born in Wilmington on April 29, 1926, the son of the late Oscar Thomas Lewis Sr. and Clara Elchhorn Lewis.

Survivors include three brothers, Oscar Thomas Lewis Jr. of Bolivia, Aubrey E. Lewis and Jere L. Lewis, both of Wilmington; and a sister, Mrs. Austin (Daphne) Little of Bolivia.

He was formerly employed by the City of Wilmington as sanitation division superintendent and by Sinclair Refining Co. as a traveling auditor. Lewis also was a pianist, performing for charitable organizations in the Carolinas and as an accompanist for numerous groups, including The Price Sisters.

He was an active member of Devon Park United Methodist Church.

FRANK C. RABON

Frank Columbus Rabon, 91, of Route 2, Leland, died Sunday in New Hanover Memorial Hospital, Wilmington.

The funeral was to be held 3 p.m. Wednesday at Zion United Methodist Church at Town Creek with Rev. Pearl West and Rev. Jan Smook officiating. Burial was to be in the church cemetery.

Rabon was born in Brunswick County (Town Creek Township) on June 6, 1893, the son of the late Millard Fillmore and Betty Padrick Rabon. He was a farmer and businessman, having retired in 1963. He was a member of the Town Creek Grange and Zion United Methodist Church, and was a charter member of the Town Creek Hunting Club.

Survivors include six sons, James Roy Rabon of Southport, Daniel Rabon, Wilbur Rabon, Carter Rabon, Landis Rabon and Frankie Rabon, all of Leland; six daughters, Mrs. R.L. (Louise) Major of Chambersburg, Ill., Mrs. M.B. (Lillian) Watkins Sr. of Leland, Mrs. Woodus (Billie) Mercer, Mrs. K.D. (Tonda) Henry Sr., and Mrs. Frederick (Cheryl) Mintz, all of Leland, and Mrs. Richard (Gayle) Sullivan of Winnabow; a sister, Mrs. Lilla Dawkins of Leland; 36 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Rabon was preceded in death by his wife, Mrs. Cora Flowers Rabon, who died Feb. 7, 1966, and a daughter, Mrs. Elsie Manning, who died Dec. 15, 1975.

THOMAS W. SELLERS

Thomas Western Sellers, 71, of Southport, died Sunday in Doshier Memorial Hospital in Southport.

A graveside service was held Tuesday in Northwood Cemetery, Southport.

Survivors include a sister, Elmita Potter of Southport; and a brother, Robert Sellers of Yaupon Beach.

DONLY SKIPPER JR.

Donly (Peg) Skipper Jr., 50, of Wilmington died Monday unexpectedly at his residence.

Born in Brunswick County on July 12, 1934, he was the son of Mrs. Flossie Mintz of Leland and the late Donley Skipper. He had retired from Timney Corp. in 1965.

Survivors in addition to his mother include his wife, Mrs. Margie (Patsy) R. Skipper of the home; a daughter, Elizabeth Rene Skipper of the home; two brothers, Bill Watson and Lloyd Watson, both of Wilmington; and three sisters, Mrs. Doris Smith, Mrs. Shirley Hammond and Mrs. Evelyn Lehrschall, all of Leland.

RILEY W. DUNCAN SR.

Riley Wiebens Duncan Sr., 74, of Long Beach, died Monday in New Hanover Memorial Hospital.

The funeral was scheduled 2 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church of Oak Island, of which Duncan was a member. Rev. Ernest Poston and Rev. Themos Cribb were to officiate, with burial in Northwood Cemetery, Southport.

Duncan was a retired plumber. Survivors include three sons, H.R. Duncan of Long Beach, Buddy Duncan of Georgetown, S.C., and Joel K. Duncan of New Bern; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

LULA I. NORRIS

Lula Idell Norris, 46, of Little River, S.C., died Saturday in Grand Strand Memorial Hospital, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The funeral was held Tuesday in the chapel of Inman Funeral Home. Burial was in the Brooks Cemetery, Ocean Isle Beach.

LEROY SIMMONS

Leroy Simmons of Winnabow died Sunday in New Hanover Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements were to be announced by Jordan Funeral Home.

GEORGE W. FRINK

George W. Frink of Route 2, Bolivia, died Saturday night at Brunswick Hospital in Supply.

Arrangements were to be announced by John H. Shaw's Sons.

CHURCH NEWS

Sing Features Easter Brothers

The Easter Brothers of Mt. Airy will be featured at a free gospel song crusade Friday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. at Shallotte Middle School.

Also on the program are The Singing Messengers of Wallace and Rev. and Mrs. Robert Kivett of Clinton, whose family business is sponsoring the program.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge, but a freewill offering will be used to offset the cost of renting the facility, a spokesman indicated.

Skipper Called

John Thurman Skipper, 74, of Leland has been called and ordained as patriarch of the Wilmington State of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



As such he will serve as spiritual advisor for an area within a 75-mile radius of Wilmington and containing approximately 2,500 church members. Each worthy member of the church is entitled at some time in their life to receive a patriarchal blessing, a source of comfort and guidance in the accomplishment of the individual's life mission.

One of the church's first members in Brunswick County, Skipper has previously served as president of the Shallotte Branch and as a member of the State High Council.

Observes Easter

St. Brendan's Catholic Mission of Shallotte has announced its Mass and devotions schedule for the Easter season. Everyone is welcome to attend these services.

They are as follows: March 26, penitential/reconciliation, 7:30 p.m.; March 30, Palm Sunday Mass, 5 p.m.; March 31, Palm Sunday Mass, 7:30 a.m.; April 4, Holy Thursday Mass, 11 a.m.;

Also, April 5, Good Friday stations/benedictions, 3 p.m.; April 6, Saturday Easter Vigil, with Mass at Sacred Heart in Whiteville, 7:30 p.m.; April 7, Easter Masses, 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.; April 13, Anticipatory Mass, 5 p.m.; April 14, Mass, 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Confessions are held 4 p.m. Saturday or by appointment with Father John L. Richardson, 754-8544, Shallotte, or 1-642-3895, Whiteville.

Couple Blames Brunswick Electric For House Fire

A Shallotte couple is suing the Brunswick Electric Membership Corporation, claiming that an overloaded electrical transformer caused a fire that destroyed their home and personal belongings last March.

In a lawsuit filed last week, Edward James and Mary Gertrude Davidson of Shallotte are seeking \$13,000 for the loss of their belongings plus attorney fees and cost of court. A fire destroyed their modular home owned by Gerald Nellenbach of Shallotte on March 23, 1984 while the couple was away, the suit states.

According to the suit, the fire also destroyed their 1977 Ford LTD parked beside the home and all of their household furniture and clothing causing the couple to "incur other extensive living expenses for three months."

The fire started "because of an over-loaded electrical transformer and because of certain negligent acts and/or omissions" that will be produced at the trial, the suit filed by Whiteville attorney Michael Willis alleges. The Davidsons have re-

quested a jury trial in Brunswick County Superior Court.

Prior to the fire, "the weather was clear and there was no lightning anywhere in the area," the suit states. The home burned from "the outside in" and at the time the fire originated, "sparks and smoke were coming from the main transformer supplying power to the service pole" of the home, it reads. Those lines were under the control of Brunswick Electric, it adds.

Two weeks prior to the fire, the suit states, "lights in the modular home dimmed and brightened on a continual basis." After notifying Brunswick Electric of the irregular lighting pattern, no one from the company came to check the problem, it states.

Brunswick Electric should be held responsible for the fire since they "had forewarning of a potential problem in the transmission line and/or transformer" and that the fire would not have destroyed their belongings if they had been home, it states.

The fire occurred around 7 p.m. last March 23.

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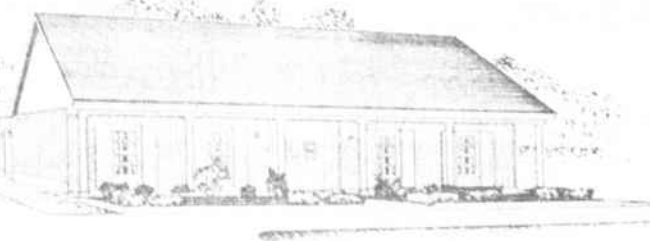
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