

Deaths And Funerals

FRED LEWIS GURLEY

Fred Lewis Gurley, 83, of Long Beach and formerly of Catawba, died Dec. 7 at Davis Hospital in Statesville.

A graveside service was conducted Dec. 11 by the Rev. W.C. Cockman and the Rev. John Milholland at Abilene Church of Christ Cemetery.

Mr. Gurley was born Sept. 28, 1910, in Catawba County, the son of the late James William and Viola McKnight Gurley. He was a retired brick mason, a member of Fifth Creek Presbyterian Church and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Bona Lee Carter Gurley, and his second wife, Ethel Crater Gurley.

Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Shoemaker, Virginia Stephens and Brenda Lackey, all of Statesville; two sons, Fred Lewis Gurley Jr. of New London and Wayne Gurley of Salisbury; two sisters, Edna Scarborough and Ola Christian, both of Kannapolis; two brothers, Albert Gurley of Statesville and Glenn Gurley of North Myrtle Beach, S.C.; 17 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to South River Baptist Church Building Fund, Route 17, Box 317, Statesville, N.C. 28677.

JOHNNY MCNEAL MOORE

Johnny McNeal Moore, 44, of Bolivia died Dec. 8 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, of cancer. He was a self-employed carpenter.

The funeral was Dec. 10 at Joy Assembly, Southport, conducted by the Rev. John Nocera and the Rev. Jerome Jenrette. Burial was in Hickman Cemetery, Shallotte.

Mr. Moore was born in Southport on Dec. 9, 1949, a son of the late Lawrence and Virginia Hawks Moore.

Survivors include his wife, Sylvia Ann Patti Moore of the home; a son, Wesley Allen Moore of Bolivia; a daughter, Iris Ann Moore of the home; five brothers, Arden Moore and Jerry Moore, both of Shallotte, Raybon Moore of Bolivia and Pat Moore and Chester Moore, both of Calabash; and two sisters, Gail M. Reaves of Calabash and Esther M. Bender of Crisco, Pa.

Memorials may be made to Lower Cape Fear Hospice, P.O. Box 1926, Shallotte, N.C. 28459.

LENNA ALLRED THORSEN

Lenna Allred Thorsen, 65, of Southport, died Dec. 7 at her residence.

A memorial service was held Dec. 11 at Southport Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. Dr. Murray Page officiating. Burial will be "on a pretty spring day" in Old Southport Cemetery.

Mrs. Thorsen was born April 17, 1928, in Chihuahua, Mexico, a daughter of Mormon missionaries Edgar J. and Minnie P. Midkiff Allred. She has lived in Southport since 1952. After spending early years in Mesa, Ariz., she lived in Northport, Wash., with her adoptive parents, Mick and Elsie Reisin.

She was a lifelong Mormon, attended Southport Presbyterian Church, was a former member of the Southport-Oak Island Library Board, a member and past president of Southport 55 and Over Club, a Doshier Memorial Hospital volunteer, organist and painter.

Survivors include her husband, William Robert Thorsen of the home; two daughters, Leigh Ann Watts of Heidelberg, Germany, and Robin

Marie Tamburi of Blooming Grove, N.Y.; two sons, William Robert Thorsen II of Angleton, Texas, and David Thomas Thorsen of Abingdon, Md.; two sisters, Josephine Spain of Mesa, Ariz., and Juanita Allred; a brother, Elmer Allred of Tempe, Ariz.; and nine grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Doshier Memorial Hospital Volunteers or Lower Cape Fear Hospice, Shallotte, N.C. 28459.

BLANCH HEWETT

Blanch Hewett, 84, of Supply died Dec. 11 in The Brunswick Hospital.

The funeral was Dec. 14 in Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service Chapel, Supply, with the Rev. Bobby Childress officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery.

She was born in Brunswick County, a daughter of the late Jesse D. and Evelina Lewis Holden. Mrs. Hewett was a homemaker and a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, James R. Hewett of Durham, Ervin D. "Ted" Hewett and Jesse Danny Hewett, both of Supply, and Edward L. Hewett of Reno, Nev.; two daughters, Doris Jean Duncan of Marion, S.C., Linda Tripp of Supply, Vonnie Porter of Aberdeen and Virginia Sullivan of Winnabow; 24 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

MINNIE M. WATTS

Minnie Marie Watts of Sunset Beach died Dec. 11 at her home.

The funeral and burial will be in East Point, Ga.

Local arrangements were handled by Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service.

REV. GLADYS CARLISLE HALL

The Rev. Gladys Carlisle Hall, 76, of Loris, S.C., died Dec. 10.

The funeral was conducted Dec. 13 in the Brunswick Funeral Service Chapel, Shallotte, by the Rev. Eddie Altman and the Rev. Sammy Jarman. Burial was in Griffin Cemetery, Ash.

Rev. Hall was born in Stark, Fla., on Jan. 17, 1917, a daughter of the late George and Annie Davis Carlisle. She was a member and former pastor of Dunn Pentecostal Freewill Baptist Church, Dunn, and past commander of DAV Chapter No. 73 Ladies Auxiliary, Loris, S.C.

Survivors include her husband, John Henry Hall; a son, John Henry Hall Jr. of Norfolk, Va.; three daughters, Janice Duncan of Loris, S.C., Ruth Carol Laramore of Columbia, S.C., and Linda Redmond of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; four brothers, J.C. Carlisle of Ash, Dan Carlisle of Shallotte and Earl Carlisle of Walnut Island; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

ANN WENDELL JONES

Elizabeth Ann Wendell Jones, 69, of Lexington and formerly of Shallotte, died Dec. 11 at her home after a sudden illness.

A memorial service was conducted Dec. 14 by the Rev. Dr. Robert

Floyd at North Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington. The funeral was to be held at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at Danieltown Baptist Church, Forest City, with the Rev. Guy Johnson and the Rev. Johnny Bridges officiating. Burial was in Cane Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Union Mills.

Mrs. Jones was born in Kearney County, Neb., on May 22, 1924, to Joe and Vera Palmbide Wendell. She was graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn., and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary School of Music, Louisville, Ken.

She formerly served as pianist for Back-To-The-Bible Broadcasting in Lincoln, Neb. More recently, she was organist at North Lexington Baptist Church and also taught piano.

Survivors include her husband, the Rev. Jimmy Davis Jones of the home, a former pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Shallotte; a son, Wendell Jones of Cary; two brothers, Rodney Wendell of Axtell, Neb., and Dwight Wendell of Vancouver, Wash.; a sister, Mrs. Eldon (Ruth Wendell) Lundberg of Richvale, Calif.; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to North Lexington Baptist Church, 201 Mize Road, Lexington, N.C. 27292.

IRVING SNEED

Irving Sneed of Leland died Dec. 6 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington.

The funeral was Dec. 12 at Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, Southside. Burial was in the Sneed family cemetery.

CLIFFORD GRADY

Clifford Grady, 32, of Wilmington died Dec. 6 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center.

The funeral was Dec. 11 at Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church. Burial was in Summerville Church Cemetery, Leland.

J.C. GRIFFIN

J.C. Griffin, 69, of Fayetteville, died Dec. 11 in the VA Medical Center, Fayetteville.

The funeral was Dec. 13 at Midway Apostolic Church, Bolivia. Burial was in Brown Family Cemetery.

GEORGE STANLEY

George Stanley of Longwood died Dec. 11 at his home.

Survivors include five daughters, Icelean Bellamy, Yula Billups, Hellen Robinson, Hallistine Robinson and Ernestine Smith; four sons, Jaylann Stanley, George C. Stanley,

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

'Kingdom' Set For Sunday

The music ministry of Southport Baptist Church will share the Christmas music celebration "Kingdom" by David Clydesdale on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

The work will be presented by the 50-member adult choir, soloists and narrator under the direction of Eddie Hicks, minister of music and youth, and accompanied by Annette Prevatt, organist, and Pam Hicks, pianist.

Providing solos will be Pam Hicks, Tom Huskey, Susan Huggins, Debbie Evans, Bob Brown and Joanna Holden. Roy Hendricks will serve as narrator, and Mary will be portrayed by Jennifer Baxter.

The adult and high school handbell choirs and the newly formed flute choir will provide prelude beginning at 6:40 p.m. The children's choir will lead in the call to worship. The public is invited.

Jennings To Speak

The Rev. Wesley Jennings will be guest speaker this Sunday, Dec. 19, at the Oak Island Presbyterian Church. His topic will be "The Joy of Christmas" from the scripture of Matthew 2:1-12.

Sunday school begins at 9:15 a.m. and worship services at 10:15.

Choir Presents Musical

The choir of Jennies Branch Baptist Church will present the Christmas musical "Beloved Son," by Joe E. Parks Sunday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m.

Bobby Gore, choir director, invites the public.

The church is located on N.C. 179 near Brick Landing.

Service At Chapel

The Holden Beach Beautification Committee and Holden Beach Chapel are joining to celebrate the Christmas season.

Sunday, Dec. 19, at 4 p.m., the Beautification Committee will hold a Christmas pageant with live nativity scene on the lawn of the chapel, followed by a candlelight service inside. Led by Wally Ausley, mayor of

Holden Beach, the service will include carol singing and a brief message, followed by a fellowship time during which the Beautification Committee will be serving Moravian buns and coffee.

"We're looking forward to it," said spokesman Conrad West. "This will be our first attempt at this."

The chapel is located on Rothschild Street across from the town hall.

Christmas Program Set

"All I want for Christmas..." is the title of the Christmas program that will be presented Saturday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. at Harvest Fellowship Pentecostal Holiness Church.

The church is located at 238 Gray Bridge Road, Shallotte, off Holden Beach Road.

Observes Season

Seaside United Methodist Church continues its celebration of the Advent season with the presentation by the adult choir of the cantata, "Joyful, Sing Alleluia," during both services Sunday, Dec. 19. Gigi Gore will direct.

Jackie Bridges and Marjorie Crissman will play an arrangement of a carol as an organ-piano duet for the prelude. Doreen Lowry will sing the English carol, "What Child is This?" for the offertory.

Also on Sunday, the children and youth of the Sunday school will present a playlet, "What Can I Give Him?" at 9:15 a.m.

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Free Pamphlet Offers Advice On Facing Grief During The Holidays

Local individuals and families who may be finding it difficult to face the approaching Holiday Season because they are grieving the loss of someone close to them, may find helpful advice in a free pamphlet now being offered by Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service.

The pamphlet, entitled "Handling Your Grief During the Holidays," suggests ways to cope with the mixture of stressful feelings that often make families wish to avoid the season altogether.

To obtain a copy, go by Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service in Supply or call them at 754-6848. They will mail you a copy.

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