# **Deaths And Funerals**

### HENRY DALTON EDWARDS

Henry Dalton Edwards, infant son of Cindy Ann Harrell Edwards and James Clayton Edwards Jr., died Jan. 14 in The Brunswick Hospital at Supply.

A private funeral was conducted Jan. 19 in the Brunswick Funeral Service Chapel in Shallotte. Burial was in Brunswick Memorial Gardens.

In addition to his parents, survivors include two brothers, William Stephen Edwards and James Clayton Edwards III; maternal grandparents, William Baker and Nellie Harrell of Shallotte; and paternal grandparents, James and Ercelle Robertson Edwards of Shallotte.

JESSIE THOMAS REAVES Jessie Thomas Reaves, 37, of Longs, S.C., died Jan. 17 from injuries sustained in an automobile ac-

The funeral was Jan. 20 in the Coble Ward-Smith Chapel at Supply, with the Rev. Larry Ward officiating. Burial was in Manley Bennett Cemetery.

Reaves was born in New Hanover County on Oct. 10, 1956, the son of the late Jessie Edward and Gracie Reaves. He was a member of Beulah Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his wife, Paula, on March

Survivors include two daughters, Jessica Nicole Reaves and Rachel Michelle Reaves of Longs, S.C.; a brother, Preston E. Reaves of Charleston, S.C.; four sisters, Betty Moss of Whiteville, Janice Rhea of Charleston, S.C., Valda Reaves and Virginia Reaves of Longs

BRIDGES A. SABISTON SR. Bridges Arenell Sabiston Sr., 87, of Shallotte died Jan. 20 at his resi-

The funeral was Jan. 22 in the Brunswick Funeral Service Chapel in Shallotte, with the Rev. Ivren Hughes officiating. Burial was in Brunswick Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Sabiston was the son of the late David Wilbur and Annie Arenell Sabiston. He was retired from the Brunswick County Schools Bus Garage. Previously he was employed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the dredge Currituck during construction of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway and was a machinist at the Naval Shipyard in Norfolk, Va., during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Beatrice Bennett Sabiston; two sons, David I. Sabiston and Bridges A. Sabiston Jr., both of Shallotte; a sister, Annie S. Murden of Dade City, Fla.; and three grandchildren, Rhonda Sabiston and Donnette Golder, both of Durham, and Sheila Hewett of North Myrtle Beach, S.C.

HAROLD C. STRICKLAND Harold C. Strickland, 75, of Cardinal Care Center of Shallotte died Jan. 19 in The Brunswick Hospital.

A private inurnment service was held Jan. 25 in Wilmington National Cemetery, Wilmington.

Mr. Strickland was born in Franklin County, Ga., on Oct. 12, 1918, the son of the late Marco and Willie Brown Strickland. He was employed for many years with Gaston County Schools. He was a sergeant with the U.S. Marine Corps,

serving during World War II. Survivors include a son, Mark Strickland of Charlotte; and a daughter, Paula Mitchell of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

JEANNE B. WILSON

Jeanne Bliss Wilson, 47, of Ash, died Jan. 20.

A memorial service was conducted Jan. 25 at St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church, Shallotte.

Born Aug. 6, 1947, in Pittsburgh, Pa., she was a daughter of the Rev. Reginald and Mary Hughes Bliss of Ash.

Survivors in addition to her parents include three sons, Dereck Mack Roy of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., Forrest Hilton Ashley of Fort Sill, Okla., and Wade Bliss Ashley of Ash; two brothers, Don Gates of Ash and Theodore Bliss of London, Ky.; two sisters, Beverly Ann Hammer of Le Sueur, Minn., and

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Jacqueline Holt of Glennellen, III. Memorials may be made to St. James Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 68, Shallotte, N.C. 28459.

JOE DAVID JOHNSON Joe David Johnson, 77, of Bolivia died Jan. 20 in Cape Fear Memorial

Hospital, Wilmington The funeral was Jan. 23 in Mill Creek Baptist Church, with the Rev. Rocky Gregory and the Rev. Avery Lumsden officiating. Burial was in Robbins Cemetery.

Born in Brunswick County on Dec. 12, 1916, he was the son of the late David R. and Rebecca Gore Johnson. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and was a member of Mill Creek Baptist Church.

Survivors include five sisters, Elizabeth Mills of Leland, Ida Arnold of Christiana, Tenn., Mary Sellers of Winnabow, Ann Brown of Bolivia and Lillie Holden of Stevensville, Md.; six brothers, John Johnson and George "Pete" Johnson, both of Supply, Sam Johnson of Raleigh, William Henry Johnson of Rialto, Calif., Jim Johnson of Fountain and Steve Johnson of Bolivia.

#### GERTRUDE DAVIS

Gertrude Davis, formerly of Southport, died Jan. 19 in Charleston Naval Hospital, Charleston, S.C.

The funeral was Jan. 24 in Saint James AME Zion Church, Southport. Burial was in Northwood Cemetery

JANIE STRICKLAND DEW Janie Strickland Dew, 79, of

Calabash died Jan. 21 at her resi-The funeral was Jan. 23 in Beulah

Baptist Church with the Rev. Lee Roy Smith and the Rev. Jennis McLamb officiating. Entombment was in Brunswick Memorial Gardens Mausoleum, Shallotte

Born in Columbus County on Dec. 17, 1914, she was a daughter of the late Hezekiah and Catherine S. Strickland.

Survivors include two daughters. Barbara D. Meares of Calabash and Pearl D. Frink of Ocean Isle Beach; three sisters, Marie Anderson and Awine Huggins, both of Latta, S.C., and Carrietta Strickland of Tabor City; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

IDA MAE HOLDEN

Ida Mae Holden, 82, of Shallotte died Jan. 24 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington.

The funeral was Jan. 26 in Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Dr. James Potter and the Rev. Bill Greer officiating. Burial was in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Shallotte.

She was born in Horry County, S.C., on May 14, 1911, a daughter of the late Joseph and Emma Benton

Survivors include a son, Joseph "Harold" Holden of Wilmington; three daughters, Clarice H. McLean of Wilmington and Eunice Formyduval and Margaret H. Tripp, both of Shallotte: a sister, Florence Ward of Wampee, S.C.; 12 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

WILBUR GAINES HOLDEN

Wilbur Gaines Holden, 76, of Brown's Landing, Supply, died Jan. 23 at The Brunswick Hospital.

The funeral was Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. at Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service Chapel, Supply, with the Rev. Wade Laughter, the Rev. Hayden Cartner and the Rev. Sidney Britt officiating. Burial was in Holden Cemetery.

Mr. Holden was born in Brunswick County on May 21, 1917, the son of the late George Washington and and Florence Lewis Holden. He was a member of Sabbath Home Baptist Church and was a U.S. Army veteran, having served during World War II in the South Pacific. He was a retired farmer and an avid gardener.

Survivors include his wife, Etheline D. Holden of the home; three children, Mrs. Larry (Brenda) Dempsey of Wilmington; Wayne Holden of Wilmington and Gregory Holden of Supply; a brother, Cecil Holden of Supply; two sisters, Margaret Sellers of Supply and

Marie Scola of Westerly, Rhode Island; and two grandchildren.

MARY ALICE FORD

The funeral for Mary Alice Ford of Thomasboro was held Jan. 25 in Holy Bethel FB Holiness Church at Thomasboro, with the Rev. Charles Pridgen, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the church ceme-

Ford died Jan. 19 in The Brunswick Hospital.

Survivors include a son, Johnnie C. Ford of Thomasboro; a brother. Alfonzie B. Austin; and three sisters, Geraldine B. Hardin, Alease Beatha and Hilda Beatha.

SAMANTHA ELAINE MINOTT Samantha Elaine Minott, 7, of

Supply, died Jan. 23 in the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Hospital, Chapel Hill.

The funeral was to be conducted today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. in Little Macedonia Baptist Church, Supply, by the pastor, the Rev. Charles Jacobs. Burial was to be in Galloway Cemetery.

A wake was held Jan. 26 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Peoples Funeral Home in Shallotte.

Samantha was the daughter of Richard and Deborah Minott of Supply. Survivors in addition to her parents include four siblings, Nicole P. Minott, Michelle D. Minott, Richard A. Minott Jr. and Gabrelle S. Minott.

JOHNNIE BRYANT

Johnnie Bryant, 60, of Bolivia died Jan. 23 in New Hanover Regional Medical Wilmington.

The funeral was Jan. 26 at Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. William Ganus, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Allene Bryant of Bolivia; two daughters, Mary Morgan of Supply and Myra Bryant of Bolivia; five sons, Johnnie Bryant III of Leland, Jasper Bryant of Winnabow, Frederick Bryant and La Mont Bryant, both of Bolivia, and Timothy Bryant of Tennessee; his mother, Mrs. Clyde Smith of Bolivia; two sisters, Mabell Hewett and Pauline Hewett, both of Bolivia; and two brothers, Jessie Bryant of Florida and T.S. Bryant of Texas.

A. WILSON ARNOLD A. Wilson Arnold, 80, of Supply

died Jan. 24 in The Brunswick Hospital.

The funeral was to be held today (Thursday) at 11 a.m. in Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Supply, where he was a member. The Rev. Truette Rogers was to officiated.

Entombment was planned in Branswick Memorial Gardens Mausoleum, Shallotte.

The family was to receive friends from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, at Brunswick Funeral Home, and at other times at their home in Supply.

Arnold was born in Shallotte, the son of the late Jabie G. and Georgia White Arnold.

He was a pioneer in the formation of Atlantic Telephone Membership Corp. and served on its board of directors for 26years.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Annie Inman Arnold; a son, W. Thomas Arnold of Shallotte; two granddaughters, Thomasa L. Arnold of Calabash and Karen Arnold Hartley of Bell Arthur; a brother, R. Curmon Arnold of Shallotte; four sisters, Georgia Clemmons of Bolivia, Nelva Milliken and Armilda A. Inman of Shallotte, and Bera A. Sellers of Supply; and many nieces and

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# Conference Looks At Church's Role In Helping Prevent Substance Abuse

What can a church do to help prevent abuse of alcohol and other drugs in its community?

That and related questions will be addressed in March at a three-county conference on "Ministering For Prevention-The Church's Role.

Set March 4 and 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Southeastern Community College in Whiteville, the conference is targeted at ministers and key lay leaders in Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen county residents, said the Rev. Mark Owens of Supply, project coordinator, while others who are interested in the subject are welcome to attend.

Funded by a grant from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention in Washington, D.C., the two-day event is being sponsored by the Columbus County Alcohol/Drug Prevention Coalition, community colleges in all three counties, the South Brunswick Interchurch Council, the Columbus County Ministerial Association and Columbus County Services Management, Inc.

Local, state and national leaders in the field of substance abuse prevention will participate on the program.

Speakers will discuss the latest information on how to prevent and respond to substance abuse problems "in a helpful and healing manner" and look at model programs in which churches have successfully integrated abuse prevention and health promotion efforts into their

zations. Participants will also receive prevention literature and information on funding sources for assisting churches in conducting health promotion activities.

Situated between I-95 and the coast, the three counties comprise the 13th Judicial District.

In 1990 there were 2,273 arrests for driving while under the influence and 277 known drug-related accidents, according to a conference brochure. The Alcohol/Drug Council of North Carolina reported in 1990 that an estimated 49 percent of the population the threecounty region is affected by alcohol and/or drug abuse and that addicted persons make up 10 percent of the population.

All three counties rank above the national percentile of 51 percent for deaths due to alcohol and drugs, with Brunswick ranking in the 61st percentile.

Feb. 1 is the deadline to register. The cost is \$25 per church for up to two people, and another \$12.50 for each additional person. The fee covers lunches and refreshments for both days and a resource notebook. Checks should be payable to Church Conference Project, 803 South Madison Street, Whiteville, N.C. 28472. Some registration scholarships are available.

For more information call the coordinating agency at

### AIDS Is Topic Of 3 Programs

Hospice volunteers and the public are invited to attend one of three meetings whose topic will be "AIDS is Everyone's Busi-

Speaker will be Fred McCree. Meetings are scheduled Feb. 3, 10 a.m., at Dosher Hospital in Southport; Feb. 15, 6:30 p.m., Bricklanding near Ocean Isle Beach; and Feb. 17, 2 p.m., The Brunswick Hospital, Supply.

### Medicare Program Update Scheduled Thursday Feb. 10

A seminar on 1994 changes in the Medicare program will be presented Thursday, Feb. 10, from 10 a.m. until noon at the Cooperative Extension Service office at the Brunswick County Government Center in Boli-

Patricia Castleberry, senior health insurance information program (SHIIP) trainer from the N.C. Department of Insurance, will present an update and provides answers for questions typically received by individuals after they have used Medi-

The seminar is open to both SHI-IP counselors and to the public, said Pearl W. Stanley, home economics extension agent.

So that adequate space and materials can be provided, registration is required by calling the extension office at 253-4425 no later than Friday, Feb. 4.

### Cape Fear Hospice Volunteers Sought

Lower Cape Fear Hospice needs volunteers.

"We are the only nonprofit Hospice in Brunswick County," said Laney Blanton, volunteer/ community relations coordinator.

Those interested in becoming volunteers should call Blanton at 754-

WITH SINCERE THANKS The family of Donnie Robinson would like to express their sincere thanks during the loss of their loved one, Vada Robinson. Many thanks to the doctors and nurses, family and friends for the food, visits, flowers, and most of all-your prayers.

We were touched by so many of you during our grief just like I'm sure many of you have been touched by her through the years. Once again WE THANK YOU ALL."

### **CHURCH ACTIVITIES** Ladies Guild To Meet the Church" this Sunday, Jan. 30, at

The Ladies Guild of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church will meet in the parish hall after the 8 a.m. mass on Feb. 4.

Guest speaker Jim Clardy will present a program on spring garden-Tickets for the a March 2 after-

noon card party at The Surf Club will be available, said Mary Boyd, publicity chairman. The church is located at 1000

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