

Miriam Elizabeth Irving
Sept. 20, 1923 - Nov. 19, 2003



Miriam Elizabeth Irving of Statesville died at Iredell Memorial Hospital following a period of declining health. Born in Richmond, Va., she was the daughter of the late Edward Guy Irving and Willie Gibson Irving. She was a graduate of the H.F. Long Hospital Registered Nurse Class of 1945 and was retired from the Iredell Memorial Hospital following many years of service. She was a member of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church and served as an Army nurse during World War II.

Survivors include a number of nieces and nephews, including Ann Bryant Coker and her husband, George, of Rosell, Ga., and William C. Bryant and his wife, Vicki McVey Bryant, of Union Grove, NC, as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

Graveside funeral services were conducted at Oakwood Cemetery. *Nicholson*

Wayne Gibson Milstead
Sept. 11, 1925 - Nov. 18, 2003



Wayne Gibson Milstead of Gregory Road died at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Born in Iredell County, he was the son of the late J.N. and Myra Thomas Milstead. He was a graduate of Statesville schools and attended Mitchell College. He was a member of First A.R.P. Church and had been self-employed with Denverd Hodges as a co-owner of Hodges and Milstead Service Station for 18 years.

He was a member of the Statesville Elks Lodge, a member of the Statesville Civitan Club, and had been a member of the North Carolina Service Station Dealers Association. He served in the armed forces with the U.S. Coast Guard.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Sigmon Milstead; a daughter, Wanda Milstead Welborn; a brother, James N. Milstead; a sister, Helen Milstead Haselden and three grandchildren.

Graveside funeral services were conducted at Oakwood Cemetery with military honors. *Nicholson*

Marisol Lopez Valencia
Nov. 20, 2003

Marisol Lopez Valencia, one month old daughter of Antonio Lopez and Maria Valencia Martiniz of Statesville, has died. She was born in Forsyth County. Private funeral services were handled by Nicholson Funeral Home. *Nicholson*

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Kimberly Wally Hampton
Sept. 3, 1965 - Nov. 21, 2003

Kimberly Wally Hampton of Dogwood Forest Loop died in Charlotte. Born in Mecklenburg County, she was a daughter of the late Philip Lee Wally, Sr., and Maxine Coley Wally of Monroe. She was a physician assistant with the Iredell County Health Department since 1995. She graduated from Salem College and Bowman-Gray School of Medicine Nursing Program of Wake Forest University.

Survivors include her husband, Stephen G. Hampton, Sr.; a son, Stephen Gray Hampton, Jr.; two daughters, Jennifer Hampton del Valle and Emily Gray Hampton. Also surviving are a brother, Lee Wally, Jr.; maternal grandparents, Mack and Eloise Coley; a special great-aunt, Addie Mae Summerville, a brother-in-law, sister-in-law and two nieces.

Funeral services were conducted at Broad Street United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Westlawn Memorial Gardens in Clemmons. *Bunch-Johnson*

Johnnie Abraham Lipe
May 5, 1920 - Nov. 21, 2003

Johnnie Abraham Lipe of Cedar St. died at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center. Born in Iredell County, he was a son of the late Abraham K. Lipe and Annie J. Beaver Lipe. He was a member of Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church where he was a long time steward and head usher. He was a burial vault builder for Ostwalt Vault Company and a brick mason.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille Brown Lipe; two sons, Gary Lipe and Darrell Lipe; two grandchildren, Pamela Howard and Brent Lipe; two great-grandchildren, Allyson Howard and Noah Reid Lipe; and two sisters, Dorothy Hager and Ruby Wilhelm.

Funeral services were conducted at Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church. Burial was in Iredell Memorial Gardens. *Bunch-Johnson*

Ruth Reid Kiker
April 20, 1913 - Nov. 16, 2003

Ruth Reid Kiker of Harmony died at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Born in Iredell County, she was a daughter of the late Robert Lee and Ida Myers Reid. She was a member of Harmony United Methodist Church, a graduate of Harmony High School, and University of North Carolina, Greensboro. She was a commercial education teacher in Harmony High School, East Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte, Lee Edwards High School in Asheville and Statesville Senior High School. Her husband, Rev. Wade Kiker, preceded her in death.

Survivors include three sisters, Ina Reid Long, Edith Reid Trausneck and Jean Reid Bowen; one step-daughter, Mary Glenn Kiker; two step-sons, Frank Kiker and Joe Kiker; 11 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at Harmony United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Harmony Cemetery. *Reavis*

Clydia Cain Holcombe
Aug. 11, 1930 - Nov. 23, 2003

Clydia Cain Holcombe of Plum Street died at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Born in Statesville, she was the daughter of the late James Otis Cain and Susan Viola Bennett Cain. She was a 1948 graduate of Statesville Senior High School and was class salutatorian.

She and her husband served in the management of the Statesville Holiday Inn. She was a member of the Statesville Altrusa Club and a member of First Baptist Church, where she had served as president of the WMU. She was also a member of the Applewhite Sunday school class.

Survivors include her husband, James Benjamin Holcombe, Sr.; a son, James B. Holcombe, Jr.; a daughter, Jane Holcombe Clendenin; four grandchildren, Matthew and Meredith Clendenin and Benjamin and Katie Holcombe; and two sisters.

Services were conducted at First Baptist Church. *Nicholson*

Dorcas Campbell Nantz
May 19, 1923 - Nov. 21, 2003

Dorcas Campbell Nantz of Statesville died at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Born in Iredell County, she was the daughter of the late Ransom and Hattie Patterson Campbell. She attended Iredell County Schools and was of the Baptist faith. She was a retired floral designer and had been associated with Johnson Greenhouses. Her husband, R.B. Nantz, preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Sharon Nantz Rikard and Elizabeth Nantz Alexander; two grandsons, William Alexander and Scott Rikard; two granddaughters, Teresa A. Benfield and Brandy Rikard; two brothers and a sister-in-law.

Graveside funeral services were conducted at Oakwood Cemetery. *Nicholson*

Lena Holt Turbiville
July 28, 1910 - Nov. 22, 2003

Lena Holt Turbiville of Harmony Highway died at Rosewood Rest Home following a lengthy illness. She was born in Buncombe County. She attended Buncombe County Schools, was a homemaker and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include a son, Oscar Lewis Turbiville; two grandchildren, Jon Franklin Turbiville and Thomas Lewis Turbiville; and four great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted at Macedonia United Methodist Church Cemetery. *Reavis*

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David Lee Crews
Sept. 8, 1940 - Nov. 20, 2003

David Lee Crews of Harmony died at Iredell Memorial Hospital after a period of declining health. Born in Forsyth County, he was the son of the late Rueben and Pauline Needhem Crews. He attended Forsyth County Schools and was disability retired from the Statesville Auto Auction. He had also been associated with Kewaunee Scientific and Campbell's Nursery (Harmony Gardens). His first wife, Shirley Wall Crews, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Riter Scott Crews; a daughter, Debbie Crews Shore; a son, Michael Lee Crews; a step-son, Shawn Marsh; and a step-daughter, Mandy M. Stratmann. Also surviving are six grandchildren, one great-grandchild, three brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were conducted in the Nicholson Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Zion Baptist Church Cemetery. *Nicholson*

Vera Childers Seay
May 12, 1922 - Nov. 19, 2003

Vera Childers Seay of the Statesville Brian Nursing Center died at Iredell Memorial Hospital following an extended illness. Born in Wilkes County, she was a daughter of the late John Marse and Merzie Holbrook Childers. She attended Wilkes County Schools, was a member of Northmont Baptist Church, and owner and operator of Vera's Grill. She was a lifetime member of the Gordon Heath VFW Post 2031 Ladies Auxillary, and a member of the Eastern Star. Her first husband, Herman Stikeleather, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, Robert H. Seay; a daughter, Brenda S. Wilson; a sister, Fern C. Payne; 13 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted in the Nicholson Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in the Iredell Memorial Gardens. *Nicholson*

Louise Eula Bowman Owens
March 4, 1927 - Nov. 22, 2003

Louise Eula Bowman Owens of Barkley Road died at Iredell Memorial Hospital following an unexpected illness. Born in Iredell County, she was the daughter of the late Theodore E. and Florence Irene Lance Bowman. She attended Iredell County Schools, was a charter member of Faith Baptist Church and was retired from Beauty Maid Mills. Her husband, Melvin Homer Owens, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Randy Lynn Owens; a daughter, Sherry Paulette Owens; four grandsons, Brandon Owens, Jerred Owens, Elijah Owens and Jacob Owens; one brother, five sisters, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at Faith Baptist Church. Interment was in the Iredell Memorial Gardens Cemetery. *Nicholson*

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