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# Obituaries

**James Lee Patterson, Jr.**  
Apr. 30, 1952 - Nov. 25, 2003

James Lee Patterson, Jr., of Kingswood Drive died at Iredell Memorial Hospital following a period of declining health. Born in Whiteville, he was the son of James Lee Patterson, Sr., and Elizabeth Brailsford Patterson. He was a member of Grace Covenant Church and played percussion in their praise band. He was a graduate of Statesville Senior High School and received a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from the University of South Carolina in Columbia. He was disability retired.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Janis Irene Moyer Patterson; a daughter, Suzanne Patterson; a son, Andy Patterson; a sister, Jeanette Patterson; three brothers, Edwin Patterson, Don Patterson and Ron Patterson.

Funeral services were conducted at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery. *Nicholson*

**Ruth Maye Benfield Hines**  
Jan. 3, 1925 - Nov. 26, 2003

Ruth Maye Benfield Hines of Mock Mill Road died at her home following a period of declining health. Born in Iredell County, she was the daughter of the late Floyd and Bertha Waugh Benfield. She was of the Baptist faith and was a homemaker. Her husband, Glenn R. Hines, preceded her in death.

Survivors include three sons, Gary W. Hines, Kenny L. Hines and Mitchell D. Hines; a daughter, Donna H. Jarvis; a brother, Gene Benfield; a sister, Willard Gentle; and seven grandchildren.

Graveside funeral services were conducted at Iredell Memorial Gardens. *Nicholson*

**Rillie James Gardner**  
Dec. 15, 1903 - Nov. 28, 2003

Rillie James Gardner of Sherwood Lane has died. Born in Pitt County, she was a daughter of the late Benjamin William and Rillie Teel James. She was a retired business woman and a member of First Presbyterian Church, Brookdale Garden Club and Fort Dobbs D.A.R. Her husband, Tige Gardner, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son-in-law, Dr. John H. Nicholson, II; six grandchildren, John H. Nicholson, III, Mari Nicholson Earnhardt, Tip Nicholson, Richard Nicholson, Parker Nicholson and Nancy Nicholson Bustle; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted at Oakwood Cemetery. *Bunch-Johnson*

**Ruth Johnson Robertson**  
June 24, 1910 - Nov. 27, 2003

Ruth Johnson Robertson of Union Grove died at her residence following an extended illness. Born in Iredell County, she was a daughter of the late Gurney V. and Mary Elizabeth Nicholson Johnson. She was a graduate of Union Grove High School, a member of the North Iredell Homemakers Club and a member of the Iredell Memorial Hospital Pink Ladies Auxiliary. She was a member of Smith Chapel Church where she taught Sunday school and was active for over 60 years. Her husband, Claris Robertson, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, John Kent Robertson; two grandchildren, Joseph Robertson and Cameron Robertson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at Smith Chapel Church. Burial was in the church cemetery. *Reavis*

**Madeline Kivett Hartness**  
June 21, 1921 - Nov. 26, 2003

Madeline Kivett Hartness of Summit Ave. died in Pilot Mountain following a period of declining health. Born in Forsyth County, she was the daughter of the late William S. Kivett and Alma Everidge Kivett. She was a graduate of Statesville High School and Meredith College in Raleigh. She was a retired school teacher and taught for 30 years in the High Point and Iredell-Statesville school systems and at D. Matt Thompson Junior High and Northview Elementary School.

She was a former member of First Baptist Church in Statesville and a member of Ardmore Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. She was also a member of the Eastern Star Sarah Rebekah Lodge in Statesville. Her husband, Clay Hartness, preceded her in death.

Survivors include two brothers, Howard E. Kivett and James C. Kivett; friends and caregivers, Sylvia and Tony Allen; a sister-in-law, Margaret Hartness Kivett; numerous nieces and nephews; and 11 great-nieces and great-nephews.

Graveside services were conducted at Oakwood Cemetery. *Nicholson*

## Special Called Meeting Set

The Iredell-Statesville Schools Board of Education Building and Grounds Sub-Committee will conduct a special called meeting Thursday, Dec. 4, at 1 p.m. at the Iredell-Statesville Administrative

Offices on N. Race St.

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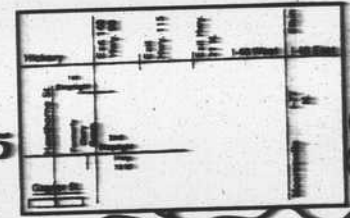
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