

Deaths and Funerals

Flora Jones

ORRUM - Mrs. Flora "Mitt" Jones, 82, of 643 Elizah Road, died Sunday, Aug. 18, 2002, in Sunbridge Nursing Center in Pembroke. The funeral was conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 21) in Revels Funeral Home chapel in Lumberton by the Revs. Smithie Locklear and Charles Locklear. Burial followed in the Locklear family cemetery in Lumberton.

Mrs. Jones is survived by four sons, John Jones, Ertle Jones and Rudolph Jones, all of Lumberton, and Luther Jones of Proctorville; five daughters, Irene Hunt, Catherine Jones, Flora Jane Jones and Beulah Jones, all of Lumberton, and Betty Lou Jones of Shannon; a brother, Irvin Locklear of Pembroke; two sisters, Sadie M. Oxendine of Lumberton and Verzilla Locklear of Pembroke; 19 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

J.D. Harris

MAXTON - J.D. Harris, 89, of 2474 Missouri Road, died Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2002, in his home. The funeral was conducted at 4 p.m. Friday (Aug. 23) in Prospect United Methodist Church by the Revs. Bill J. Locklear, Simeon Cummings and Dell Harris. Burial followed in the Harris family cemetery.

Mr. Harris is survived by his wife, Beulah Harris of Pembroke; seven sons, Lowell Harris, Leon Harris, Hudell Harris, Kenneth Harris and Frank Harris, all of Maxton, R.J. Harris of Winston-Salem, and Harold Harris of Illinois; a daughter, Paulette Bullard of Maxton; a sister, Louise Swift of Red Springs; 17 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild. Arrangements were handled by Thompson's Funeral Home in Pembroke.

Columbia Oxendine

RED SPRINGS - Mr. Columbia "Peter" Oxendine, 76, of 316 N. Lake Road, died Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2002, in Southeastern Regional Medical Center in Lumberton. The funeral was conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday (Aug. 24) in Antioch Community Church by the Rev. Jimmy Bullard. Burial followed in the Oldham family cemetery.

Mr. Oxendine is survived by two sons, Larry Bullard of Shannon and Roy Oxendine of Red Springs; two brothers, James Oxendine of Raeford and Eddie L. Oxendine Jr. of Shannon; two sisters, Grace Menah of Red Springs and Verline Woods of Raleigh; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. Arrangements were handled by Heritage Funeral Home in Red Springs.

Maude Locklear

MAXTON - Mrs. Maude Locklear, 89, of 124 Island Grove Road, Maxton, died Thursday (Aug. 22) at Sunbridge Nursing Home, Pembroke. The funeral was held Sunday (Aug. 25) at 1 p.m. at Cherokee Chapel Holiness Methodist Church, the Revs. James H. Woods and Jimmy Locklear officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

She is survived by three sons, James H. Woods, Noah Wood and Donald Bullard, all of Pembroke; two daughters, Mildred Maynor of Maxton and Diane Locklear of Pembroke; and four sisters, Margaret Lowry of Richmond, Va., Zelma Locklear of Lumberton, Grace Lowry of Columbia, S.C. and Judy

Warner of Charlotte.

Marcella Locklear Carter

Marcella Locklear Carter, 78, of 524 Edwards Circle Drive, Lumberton, died Tuesday (Aug. 20) at Southeastern Regional Medical Center. The funeral as held at 3 p.m. Sunday (Aug. 25) at Smyrna Baptist Church in Lumberton, the Revs. James Woods and Shelley Dial officiating. Burial followed at New Bethel Holiness Methodist Church Cemetery in Rowland.

Surviving are six sons, Earl Carter of Waxhaw, Tommy Carter of Fairmont, Stanley Carter of Lumberton, Braddy Carter of Concord, Michael Carter of Charlotte and Tony Carter of Germany; five daughters, Jane Carter of Gastonia, Betty Carter and Margaret McMillan, both of Lumberton, and Judy Carter and Joan Carter, both of Pembroke; a brother, Verlin Locklear of New Jersey; two sisters, Marie Locklear of Lumberton and Clair Barger of New York; 47 grandchildren; and 43 great-grandchildren. Arrangements were handled by Floyd Funeral Services in Fairmont.

Mary W. Fields

PEMBROKE - Mrs. Mary Warren Fields, 77, of 310 E. Wardell Drive, died Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002, in Southeastern Regional Medical Center in Lumberton. The funeral was conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 28) in Liberty Baptist Church in Lumberton by the Rev. Keith Hunt. Burial followed in Robeson Memorial Park in Lumberton.

Mrs. Fields is survived by her husband, Henry D. Fields of Lumberton; two stepsons, Hubert E. Fields of Fairmont and David Fields of Greenville, S.C.; three stepdaughters, Hazel Jones and Annie Joyce Wilkins, both of Lumberton, and Virginia Cook of Nichols, S.C.; a sister, Pearl White of Orangeburg, S.C.; 37 grandchildren; and 37 great-grandchildren. Arrangements were handled by Floyd Mortuary & Crematory in Lumberton.

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Sandy Plains UMC to have Guest Speaker

PEMBROKE - Bro. Dell Harris will be the guest speaker for the Sandy Plains United Methodist Church Fall Revival to be held Sunday, October 20 through Wednesday, October 23. Services will begin at 6:30 the first night and at 7:30 the next three nights.

Sandy Plains UMC is located at 2468 Union Chapel Road, 2 1/2 miles north of Pembroke.

Rev. David Malcolm is the pastor.

LEGAL NOTICE North Carolina Robeson County

Linda Rushton and James C. Rushton, Plaintiffs

-vs- Bonnie Lee Hite and the unknown father of the minor child, Jaelyn Lakenzie Hite, Defendant

TO: The Unknown Father of the Jaelyn Lakenzie Hite:

Tale Notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action in the District Court of Robeson County. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: custody of a minor child. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than October 1, 2002, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This is the 19th day of August, 2002.

Kenneth E. Ransom Attorney for Plaintiffs Post Office Box 877 Lumberton, NC 28359 Telephone: 9910) 738-8176 9-5

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Council of the Town of Pembroke will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed application for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Capacity Building (CB) funds to enable COMtech, the participating nonprofit to develop future projects. The grant request amount is \$75,000. The hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m. on September 16, 2002, at the Pembroke Town Hall. The Public is invited to attend and make comments. Written comments are also welcome and will be responded to within 10 days.

Along The Robeson Trail

Two of our long term projects here at the Native American Resource Center have come to fruition. First, we are pleased to announce to premier of our new video, *Lumbee By Grace: Landmarks In Lumbee Identity*. This thirty minute video is the culmination of more than a year of production (recording interviews on videotape, editing sounds and pictures, etc.) and portrays Lumbee people talking about what it means to them to be Lumbee.

In the course of this project, and over the years of living and working here, it has become apparent that among the things which have been consistently important in the Lumbee community are four "landmark" aspects of identity. They are: home & family; the land & the river; education & Old Main; and religion & spirituality. *Lumbee By Grace* combines still and motion images of past and present, interwoven with the words of Lumbee people as they discuss these "landmarks" of Lumbee identity.

The premier showings of *Lumbee By Grace* will be held on 12 September 2002 in the Native American Resource Center in Old Main Building. Showings will be at 2 PM and 7 PM. There is no admission charge, and the public is welcome.

Lumbee By Grace is a video production of the Museum of the Native American Resource Center, the Mass Communication Department and the Media Integration Project of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Special gratitude goes to George Johnson for his technical assistance in the making of this video, and to Harvey Godwin of TwoHawk Employment Services for his financial support of the project.

Second, we are also pleased to announce the publication of a new book, *Fine In The World: Lumbee Language In Time And Place*. This book represents the current state of knowledge on the subject of Lumbee English, its origins and development. The story of Lumbee English is one of

the most remarkable narratives of linguistic adaptability and cultural perseverance ever documented in the history of American English dialects. It shows that the Lumbee community responded to the loss of their indigenous languages by shaping the English of their European invaders into a unique emblem of Lumbee identity. The authors (Walt Wolfram, Clare Dannenberg, Stanley Knick and Linda Oxendine) hope that readers will catch a glimpse of the significance of language as it is interwoven into the fabric of Lumbee life.

Fine In The World was produced by North Carolina State University's Humanities Extension Publications, and is available at the Native American Resource Center.

For more information, visit the Native American Resource Center in historic Old Main Building, on the campus of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke (our Internet address is www.uncc.edu/nativemuseum).

Search for Truth

by Elder Joseph Bullard

BE AT PEACE

Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee. Job 22:21, K.J.V.

What a valuable text! How remarkable that the Bible has help for our every problem. To be sure, in these words to his friend Job, Eliphaz wasn't talking about jangling telephones, roaring autos, worrying newspaper headlines, or wayward children. He didn't know that more hospital beds would be used today by the mentally ill than by those suffering from any other disease. Actually, Eliphaz was chiding Job that he should confess whatever sin remain was causing his terrible afflictions. But as is so often the case, these words of Scripture can have a very timely message for us in the twentieth century.

When the complex technical aspects of this modern age begin to get you down, when you tend to worry about making ends meet, when the children are getting on your nerves, or if you are a young person worrying about school, or a job, or your personality development, "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace."

The Gospels follow Jesus closely for the three and a half years of His public ministry, but they never mention Him worrying or getting hurried or excited. He is shown as a man of emotions in many ways, but not of worry. We can learn the kind of peace that He knew by learning to know Him.

Matthew 6:33 is a text that author and pastor Taylor G. Bunch called "the Bible in miniature." In it Christ reveals the secret of His own peace and of ours: "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things [the necessities of life] shall be yours as well."

Some seek a shortcut to peace in tranquilizer pills. But these offer no real peace, they only put the mind to sleep, as it were. The problems remain the same—and the biggest problem is that we remain the same. Becoming acquainted with God takes a little longer, but the peace that it brings is much more enduring. With the peace that God gives, we actually grow to the point where we are bigger than our problems. It is a peace that prepares us for an eternity of peace.

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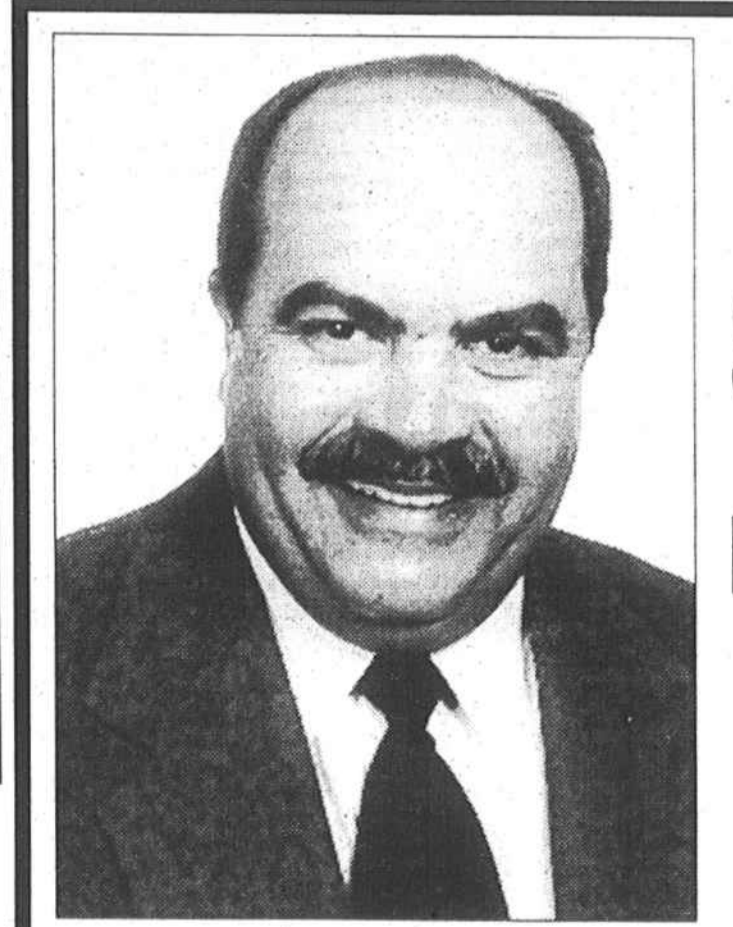
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