

# Community Scene

## Weaver-McLean Post & Auxiliary

Weaver-McLean American Legion Post No. 175 and Ladies Auxiliary preparing food baskets for the holidays to be distributed to the needy and the elderly in Durham and Bunter.

Pictured (l-r): Fonda Crawford, Queen Toon, Alice Davis, Lillian Thompson and Hannah Roberson. (Photo by Commander Ostella Criss, Sr.)

On December 13, the Post and Ladies Auxiliary held their annual Christmas Party at the Hut on Riddle Road. Special guests were Past Commander Bennie Umstead and his wife, Mrs. Corona Umstead.



## Clubs & Socials

### Saturday Morning Brunch

The Saturday Morning Brunch Club met December 5 at the home of Mrs. Reather Core, with President Genevieve Rogers presiding. Mrs. Dora Watson conducted the devotion.

Final plans were made for the Christmas party. Money was collected to purchase gifts for the needy. Mrs. Gore shared pictures of her trip to Egypt and gave favors to the members.

Other members present were Mmes. Clara Scott, Queen Cooper, Millie Williams, Beatrice Holeman, Pearl Walker, Susie Franklin and Gayle Talaferro.

Mrs. Pearl Walker was mistress of ceremony at the Christmas party held at the North Carolina Mutual Cafeteria. Carols were sung and games were played. Favors were given to members and guests. The group heard seasonal readings by Ms. Clara Scott and Ms. Sadie Chambers.

After dinner, secret pals were revealed and Mrs. Rogers gave remarks. Other members and guests attending were Mmes. Patricia Best, Queen Cooper, Beatrice Holeman, Gayle Talaferro, Lillie Andrews, Dora Watson and husband, Mary Morrison, Magere Glenn, Annie Belle Rogers, Susie Franklin, Louraine Howard, Gloria Sellars, Aline Davis, Bertha Green, Johnnie Anna Lyons; Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Burnett.

### Saint Mark Reading Group

On December 7, Saint Mark Reading Group held its monthly meeting at St. Mark AME Zion Church. Ms. Agnes Brown, president of the group, led a discussion of Alex Haley's *A Different Kind of Christmas*. The fictional volume narrates the gift of freedom which Fleischer Randall gave numerous blacks when he abandoned his slave-owning background and joined a Quaker friend in an Underground Railroad. After the discussion, the members exchanged books decorated in Christmas wrapping paper.

Participating in the occasion were Dr. Willa Bryant, Mrs. Phyllis Kuehlich, Ms. Pamela Perry, Mrs. Helen Sanders, Rev. Thomasma Shaw, Dr. F. George Shipman, Ms. Geraleen Singletary and Mrs. Alice Young.

On January 4, the group featured Fayetteville resident, Mrs. Geraldine Grims, a writer and motivational speaker.

## Deaths



LEROY SHEPHERD, SR.

Final rites for Leroy Shepherd, Sr. were held Monday, December 28, at First Ledge Rock Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Angeloe Burch, officiated. Interment was in Beechwood Cemetery. He died Wednesday, December 23, in Durham.

He was born June 5, 1925, a son of Charlie Shepherd and Ms. Lettie Scott. He was reared by an aunt, Mrs. Bertha Herndon in Apex. He attended Apex public schools and was a World War II veteran of the United States Army.

He was a member of First Ledge Rock Church and its Male Choir. Surviving are nine children: Leroy Shepherd, Jr., Willie Lee Shepherd, Carolyn Elaine Shepherd, Aljolson Shepherd, Joyce Burrus, Arnetta Shepherd and Lester Shepherd, all of Boston, Mass., and Willie Leroy Shepherd of Durham; 16 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; a sister, Ms. Mary Johnson of Eagle Springs; and several cousins.

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He was born December 17, 1940 in Maxton. He attended Durham public schools. He had been employed at Peter Pan Grocery Store and became self-employed at Southeastern Security Guard.

Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Emma Westly Flowers; a daughter, Ms. LaTonya Polk of Durham; two sons, Rickey Hannah and Scottie Glover, both of Durham; eight grandchildren; a sister, Ms. Geneva Hockaday of Durham; three aunts, Ms. Ilee Fairley and Ms. Margaret Smith, both of Maxton, and Ms. Flora Britt of Durham; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### MS. SURINE HAWLEY MABERY

Final rites for Ms. Surine Hawley Mabery were held Sunday, January 3, at Scarborough Memorial Chapel. Elder Dale Wilson was eulogist and Rev. Edna Mae Wilkerson officiated. Interment was in Glenview Memorial Park. She died Tuesday, December 29, at Duke University Medical Center.

She was born July 6, 1925 in Granville County, a daughter of the late Graham and Mrs. Julia Bell Hawley. She attended Berea Elementary School.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Jessie H. Everett and Mrs. Julia Bell Williams, both of Durham; two brothers, Andrew Hawley and Grant Hawley, both of Roxboro; several nieces, including Ms. Julia Thorpe of Durham, nephews and cousins; a stepson, Mrs. Bea Riley of Neptune, N.J.

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### MRS. LESSIE POOLE KING

Final rites for Mrs. Lessie Poole King were held Thursday, December 31, at Scarborough Memorial Chapel. Rev. Curtis L. Poole of New Covenant Christian Fellowship Church, officiated. Interment was in Glenview Memorial Park. She died Friday, December 25, at Meadowbrook Nursing Facility, Durham.

She was born November 5, 1919 in Orange County, a daughter of the late Jerry Poole and Mrs. Georgianna Warren Poole. She attended Durham public schools. She was employed at Leggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

She was married to the late Joseph O'Daniel King and they were parents of a son, now deceased.

She was a member of Hicks Chapel Baptist Church. She was president of the Usher Board and a member of the Friendly City Gospel Singers. She lived in Williamsburg, Va. for several years before returning to Durham two years ago.

Surviving are six granddaughters, Mrs. Linda Diane Williamson of Durham, Ms. Jackie Poole and Ms. Regina Poole, both of Riverside, Calif., Ms. Rochell Johnson of Moreno Valley, Calif., Ms. Lynn Patterson of Oakland, Calif., Ms. Allison Poole of South Carolina; a grandson, Wallace L. Poole, Jr. of Cragsville, Va.; several great-grandchildren; three brothers, Ernest Poole of Durham, John Henry Poole of Philadelphia, Pa. and Calvin Poole of Oakland; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### MRS. LILLIE WILLIAMS BETHEA

Final rites for Mrs. Lillie Williams Bethea were held Wednesday, December 30, at Russell Memorial CME Church. Rev. Willie J. Sturgess, pastor, officiated. Interment was in Markham Memorial Gardens. She died Saturday, December 26.

She was born April 15, 1906 in Bennettsville, S.C., a daughter of the late Edmund and Mrs. Mary Williams. She attended Bennettsville schools. She was married to the late William Bethea. She had been employed at Leggett & Myers Tobacco Factory and by a private family.

She was a member of Russell Memorial Church. She had been a member of its Pastor's Aid Board.

Surviving are five children, Ms. Zolce Bethea of Durham, Mrs. Ophelia Fisher of Brooklyn, N.Y., George Bethea of Brooklyn, Mrs. Vivian McCray of the Bronx, N.Y., and Mrs. Lucille Bethea Williams; 18 grandchildren, including Ms. Phyllis Brown Smith of Durham; 36 great-grandchildren; 19 great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

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### MARION EDEL ADAMS

Final rites for Marion Edsel Adams were held Saturday, January 2, at Scarborough Memorial Chapel. Rev. Raymond Boney officiated. He died Friday, December 25.

He was born January 6, 1933 in Durham, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Adams. During his youth, he attended Holy Cross Catholic Church. He was a graduate of Hillside High School, and served in the United States Army. He had lived in Washington, D.C., been a tractor-trailer driver and a silversmith. In Washington, he and his wife, the late Mrs. Ella Mae Adams, and family were members of St. Marks Baptist Church.

Surviving are four sons, Marvin Cox, Mario Adams, Myron Adams and Joseph Adams; six grandchildren; a great-grandchild; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### HOLLIS LYNCH, JR.

Final rites for Hollis Lynch, Jr. were held Saturday, January 2, at Scarborough Memorial Chapel. Pastor Donnie Johnson officiated. Interment was in Woodlawn Memorial Park. He died Sunday, December 27, at Duke University Medical Center.

He was born April 7, 1928 in Polk County, a son of Hollis Lynch, Sr. and Mrs. Leona Brown. He attended Polk County public schools. He was owner and operator of Harlem Embers Steakhouse and Lounge in New York City for 14 years. For ten years, he also owned a logging business. After retirement in 1980, he moved to Durham. At the time of his death, he was operating a cleaning service.

He was a member of Green Creek Baptist Church in Polk County. He was also a member of Joppa Masonic Lodge #55, New York City, for a number of years.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Esther Kathy Lynch; two daughters, Mrs. Natalie Lynch Jones of Semora and Ms. Tanga Lynch of Matthews; two sons, Nebuchadnezzar Lynch of Stanton, Va. and Clarence Kirby of Detroit, Mich.; a stepdaughter, Ms. Cynthia Lee of Orange, N.J.; eight grandchildren; a brother, George Lynch of Compton, Calif.; an aunt, Mrs. Bertha Brown of Lindenhurst, N.Y.; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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### AMOS JUNE BAILEY

Final rites for Amos June Bailey were held at Young's Chapel Baptist Church, Person County. Interment was in the church cemetery. He died Wednesday, December 30 at Duke University Medical Center.

He was born April 5, 1925 in Person County, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bailey. He was married to the late Mrs. Christine Pettiford Bailey. For most of his life he was a farmer. He worked at Artistic Tile & Marble Company in Durham until retirement.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Jeanette Holmes, Mrs. Annie Burton, Mrs. Dorothy Stewart, Mrs. Betty Newman and Mrs. Clementine Burton, all of Durham; five sons, Amos Bailey, Jr., Dennis Bailey, Tony Bailey, Gary Bailey and Sammy Bailey; 39 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ms. Lillie Bailey of Chapel Hill and Ms. Christine Hayes of Long Island, N.Y.; a brother, James Bailey of Akron, Ohio; two aunts, Ms. Jerolen Walters of Roxboro and Mrs. Alice Ragner of East Orange, N.J.; three uncles, Rufus Ragner of East Orange, Hughgather Ragner and Ivey Ragner, both of Baltimore, Md.; several nieces and nephews.

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### MS. DEBRA VALENCIA WINGATE

Final rites for Ms. Debra Valencia Wingate were held Thursday, December 31, at Russell Memorial CME Church. Rev. W.J. Sturgess, pastor, officiated. Interment was in Beechwood Cemetery. She died Sunday, December 27, in Durham.

She was born September 21, 1955 in Bermuda, a daughter of Willie Marshall Wingate, Sr. and Mrs. Jerald Wingate. She was a 1974 graduate of Hillside High School and attended North Carolina Central University. She was employed by Environmental Services at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill. She was a member of Russell Memorial Church.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are a son, Jamal B. Wingate of Durham; a grandson, Masiah Wardlow of Hillsborough; four sisters, Ms. Lynn Green and Ms. Mary Wingate, both of Durham, Ms. Mavis Wilson of Waldorf, Md., and Ms. Cynthia Wingate of Woodbridge, Va.; paternal grandparents, Mezerine and Mrs. Anna Wingate of Lexington Park, Md.; two aunts, Mrs. Delores Silver of Upper Marlboro, Md. and Mrs. Beatrice Ellis of Lexington Park, a niece, Ms. Chifonda Wingate of Durham, a nephew, Shay Wingate of Durham; a great-niece and a great-nephew.

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### MRS. MARGARET CUFFIE DAVIS

Final rites for Mrs. Margaret Cuffie Davis were held Monday, January 4, at New Bethel Baptist Church. Rev. Glenn Davis, pastor, officiated. Interment was in the church cemetery. She died Tuesday, December 29, at Duke University Medical Center.

She was born June 7, 1912 in McCee, S.C., a daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. Ella Cuffie. Prior to retirement, she had been a domestic worker. She was married to the late Charlie Davis.

She was a member of New Bethel Church, its Senior Choir and Missionary Circle No. 2.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Ethel Mae Davis, Mrs. Lena Davis Richardson and Mrs. Linda Clark, all of Durham, and Mrs. Susan Strinkle of Brooklyn, N.Y.; four stepdaughters, Mrs. Charlotte Patterson, Mrs. Carolee Taylor and Mrs. Earlean Perry, all of Durham, and Mrs. Barbara Ann Bryant of Cleveland, Ohio; a stepson, Eugene Allen of Buffalo, N.Y.; 29 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; ten great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

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