

OBITUARY

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SIMPSON

Mr. James Willie Simpson, known to family and friends as "Blue," of 2804 Teresa Ave. in Winston-Salem, died Sept. 5 at Forsyth Memorial Hospital.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Forsyth County and was a member of United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, where he was a member of the Sunday school and the church orchestra. He had been employed as a security guard at Kate Bitting Reynolds Hospital, was a cab driver for Camel City Cab Company and was a lifelong member of the NAACP.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Willie O. Simpson, of the home; two daughters, Eleanor (Shad) Golden, of Baltimore, Md., and Claudette Good, of Winston-Salem; four grandchildren, Kathy Jackson, of Washington, D.C., Frances Marshall Bradley, Gregory W. Good and Douglas L. Good, all of Winston-Salem; 12 great grandchildren; one special great, great grandchild, Todd Bradley; two sisters-in-law, Mary Martin, of Philadelphia, and Mary Goins, of Pinehurst, N.C.; a cousin, Robert Simpson, of Winston-Salem; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 9 at United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, with Dr. J. Donald Ballard officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Russell funeral directors were in charge of arrangements.

MARSHALL

Mr. Larry Lee Marshall, of 2119 E. 23rd St. in Winston-Salem, died Sept. 2 at his residence.

He was a native of Irwin County, Ocilla, Ga., born Aug. 27, 1957, to Rubynell Towns Marshall and Saul Marshall, and had lived in Winston-Salem, for the past six years.

He was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church and was an employee of Sara Lee Corporation.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Johnson Marshall, of the home; two daughters, Latasha Jones, of Winston-Salem, and Regina Harper, of the home; three sons, Donta Harper, of San Diego, Calif., Eric Harper, of Winston-Salem, and Larry Lee Marshall Jr., of the home; three grandchildren; his dear mother, Rubynell Marshall of Douglas, Ga.; two sisters, Magalene Fletcher and Annette Swaim, both of Douglas Ga.; four brothers, Tommy Marshall, Willie Morris Marshall and Terry Lewis, all of Douglas, Ga., and Willie Marshall, of Orlando, Fla.; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 8 at 1 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church, with the Rev. Calvin Rannels officiating. Burial followed at Piedmont Memorial Gardens.

Russell funeral directors were in charge of arrangements.

JOHNSON

Ms. Sharon Laverne Clowney Johnson, of 2201 Lime Ave. in Winston-Salem, died Sept. 3 at North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

She was a native and resident of Winston-Salem and was a member of the Genesis World Outreach Center. Sharon was a graduate of Carver High School, class of 1968, and was formerly employed at Bennigan's Restaurant.

She is survived by one daughter, Artesia Johnson, of the home; two grandchildren; her mother, Hazel Clowney, of Baltimore, Md.; a

very devoted cousin and caregiver, Celestine Hardison; four sisters, Wanda (Phillip) Russell, Iris Clowney, Anne Clowney and Michelle Shipley; seven brothers, Wilbur Howard, Avery (Victoria) Clowney, Reginald (Linda) Clowney, Ricardo Clowney, Tony Clowney, Tommy Clowney and Willie Clowney; devoted aunts Dorothy Parrott and Ida Mae Hardison; her step-father, Earl Howard; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 6 at the chapel of the Russell Funeral Home, with Bishop Claude Thomas officiating.

Russell funeral directors were in charge of arrangements.

BETHEA

Mr. Joseph Marvin Bethea, of 225 Kenilworth St. in Asheville, N.C., died Sept. 1 in Asheville.

He was a native of Winston-Salem, was a graduate of Stephens-Lee High School in Asheville, class of 1959, attended North Carolina Central University in Durham, and was a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict.

He is survived by his parents, Lloyd, D. and Mary Clyburn Bethea of Asheville; two sons, Eric Vaughn Bethea, of New Hampshire, and Dedrich Shaw Bethea, of Key West, Fla.; a daughter, Yvette L. Curry, of Key West; six grandchildren; a devoted nephew, Ronald Clyburn, of Asheville; and cousins, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 6 at 2 p.m. at Dreamland Park Baptist Church, with the Rev. Ronald Fisher officiating. Burial followed at Piedmont Memorial Gardens. Russell funeral directors were in charge of arrangements.



BOSTICK

Mary Elizabeth Queen Bostick, of 2801 N. Claremont Ave. in Winston-Salem, died Aug. 30 at Winston-Salem Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center.

She attended the local public schools in Baltimore, Md., and at an early age relocated to Winston-Salem. Mrs. Bostick was employed by Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools. She was a member of Revelation of Faith Baptist Church. She was born March 11, 1946, to Jesse Gladden and Dorothy Elizabeth Queen.

She leaves to mourn but cherish her memories her husband, Willie Ray Bostick, of the home; four daughters, LaTonya Bostick and Williette (Timothy) Smith, both of the home, Velicia (Donald) Galloway and Sheryre Bostick, both of Winston-Salem; her mother, Dorothy Queen, of the city; three sisters, Gertrude Jackson, Clementine (Eugene) Barr, and Angela (William) Penn, all of the city; two brothers, Marvin J. Gladden, of the home, and Staff Sgt. Eugene G. Gladden, of Jacksonville, N.C.; one devoted grandson, Antoine Smith, of the home; three granddaughters, Tierra Smith, of the home, and Keisha Giles and Kayla Galloway, both of the city; a devoted uncle, Wilbert Smith, of Baltimore; two aunts, Viola Smith and Bernice Queen, both of Baltimore; four brothers-in-law, five sisters-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 2 at Hooper Funeral Home, with the Rev. Sarah Hauser officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

WEBSTER

Mr. William Hardy Webster, of 830 Crawford St. in Winston-Salem, died Aug. 27 at Brian Center Nursing Care in Lexington, N.C.

He was married to Mary Hickerson (now deceased) and was a life-long and active member of Pleasant Union Primitive Baptist Church. Mr. Webster was a veteran of World War II and was retired from Carpenter's Flower Shop as a delivery person.

He leaves to cherish his memory a devoted sister, Mary Odel Webster; a niece, Artis Webster; nephew Therander Brown; and a host of cousins, great-nieces, nephews, devoted caretakers and friends at Brian Center Nursing Care in Lexington.

Funeral services were held Sept. 2 at Hooper Funeral Home, with the Rev. G.R. Langley officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

COCKERHAM

Mrs. Nellie Gray Bailey Cockerham, of 3160 Flaunders Dr. in Winston-Salem, died Sept. 2 at Forsyth Memorial Hospital.

She was born Oct. 8, 1912, in Walnut Cove, N.C., to the Rev. William and Emma Turner Bailey. She was educated in the public schools of Winston-Salem. She was an active member of Kimberly Park Holiness Church, where she faithfully served as a Sunday school teacher and pianist prior to her declining health. She participated regularly with various auxiliaries of the church. Mrs. Cockerham was honored as mother of the year at North Carolina A&T State University. She retired from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Public Schools, having worked in food service at Skyland Elementary School.

Survivors include her loving husband of 66 years, Lonnie W. Cockerham, of the home; four sons, Lonnie L. (Lucille) Cockerham, of Advance, N.C.; Wilbert T. (Barbara) Cockerham, of Winston-Salem; Bernard S. Cockerham, of Los Angeles; and Haven E. (Terry) Cockerham, of Birmingham, Mich.; five daughters, Doris Winford, of Indianapolis, Ind., Arzell G. Greene, of High Point; Dr. Frances C. Waller, of Charlotte; Emma Jean Pitts, of Winston-Salem, and Patricia (William) Turner, of Salisbury, N.C.; one sister, Nina Steele, of Winston-Salem, 18 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two brothers-in-law, Ernest and Thurmond Cockerham, both of Winston-Salem; three sisters-in-law, Pauline and Gertrude Cockerham, both of Winston-Salem, and Mamie Bailey, of Washington, D.C., and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 6 at Kimberly Park Holiness Church, with Elder Robert Edmond Jr. officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BRATCHER

Mrs. Thelma Thomas Bratcher, of 4020 Rosa St. in Winston-Salem, died Sept. 4 at Springwood Care Center.

She was the daughter of William and Bessie Thomas of Marshville, N.C. She attended the local public schools of Winston-Salem was married to Silas C. Bratcher.

Survivors are one sister, Annie Mae (Joe) Brewer, of Marshville; mother-in-law Florence Bratcher; brother-in-law Clyde (Laura) Bratcher; two sister-in-law, Ruth (Fred) Speas and Mildred Spann; foster son Donald Adams Jr.; a devoted niece, Dorothy Draper, all of Winston-Salem; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sept. 7 at Hooper Funeral Home, with the Rev. William E. Johnson officiating. Burial followed at Piedmont Memorial Gardens. Hooper Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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