## BOWMAN

Bessie Mae McNeil Bowman was born on Nov. 12, 1952, to the late Otis and Bernice McNeil in McCall, South Carolina. Bessie passed away on August 28, 2008 in Winston-Salem, N.C. She was preceded in death, in addition to her parents, her husband, James Bowman, Sr.

Bessie worked for the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School



System until her health failed. was a Bessie devoted member of True Temple Holiness Church of God, where she served faithfully for 19 years. She was a dedicated Usher for 17 years

until her health failed. Bessie loved God and her fellowman.

She leaves to celebrate her life six sons, Roger and Lloyd McNeil, Michael, Curtiss, James Jr., and Eric Dodd; three daughters; Bessie McNeil, Linda and Brenda Dodd; one step daughter, Joyce McNeil all of Winston-Salem; two sisters, Margaret McKay, and Carolyn (Roberto) Patino; six brothers, James Tedder of Bronx, NY, Otis Jr., Roosevelt, Frankie, Elijah (Jeana), and Leevon McNeil all of Winston-Salem; seven grandchildren, Lewis, Jamie, Amanda, Eddie, McKensie, Tyesha, and Samuel McNeil; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, her True Temple Church Family and a close friend and confidant, her Co Pastor Evangelist Shirley Gaither.

Funeral services were held at lp.m. on Sept. 2 at Russell Funeral Home Chapel. Apostle Wallace Gaither officiated. Interment followed in the Evergreen Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the doctors and staff at Wake Forest University Cancer Center and the staff at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Center.

Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

#### CAMPBELL

Rachel Johnniece Campbell, 80, departed this life on Sept. 5. She was born in Winston-Salem, N.C., on October 5, 1927 to Rev. George Washington Campbell, Sr. and Minnie G. McBride Campbell.

Upon her graduation from public school in Winston-Salem, N.C., she received a B.S. degree in Mathematics from Shaw University; an M.S. degree in Pure Mathematics from the University of Illinois; and, she studied at the University of Michigan, Howard University,

Cornell University and North Carolina Central University. She received certificates Computer Programming from the University of Oklahoma, North Carolina State University and



Winston-Salem State University. She earned a Diploma in Bible and Educational Ministries with teacher certification and an Advanced Diploma (M.S.) from the Seminary Extention Department, The Shaw Divinity School.

Rachel retired from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools after teaching higher level and advanced mathematics courses for 35 years, ending several years of her career as the chair of the Mathematics Department at Parkland High School.

She was appointed by Gov. Jim Hunt to work on strategies for changing the nation from the decimal system to the metric system. She served on the board of the North Carolina School of Math and Science; the Board of Minority Affairs for the City of Winston-Salem; as 1st vice-president of Secondary Mathematics Educators for the state of North Carolina, and as a consultant for the first mathematics competency test for the state of North Carolina. As a devoted and active member of Zion Memorial Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, NC, she served in the capacity of advisor to the Young Adult Missionaries and was the director of Christian Education at the time of her death. As a long-standing member of her community, she served in numerous social and community organizations, including treasurer for the Skyland Park Community and Flower Club #3. Rachel's passions were her spiritual life and her family. She was devoted to visiting the sick and shut-in and going deepsea fishing with her nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters; and four broth-

She is survived by one sister, Martha Holman of Philadelphia, PA; and an extended family of devoted nephews, nieces, great-nephews, great-nieces, and great-great nephews and great-great nieces who respected her dearly.

# IN MEMORIAM

Funeral services were held at 11a.m. Sept. 15 from the Zion Memorial Baptist Church. Dr. Joseph Jones officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

#### CRAWFORD

Mr. Robert Warren Crawford was born April 14, 1951 in Forsyth

County. He departed this life on Friday, August 22, 2008. Robert was a Baptist by faith. He attended the public schools. Robert was preceded in death

by his mother, Miss Jimmie Lee Crawford, three aunts and a loving cousin who was just like a brother,

Mr. James Henry Crawford. Robert was a great guitar player. Anyone who knew Robert, knew that he loved his guitar and knew how to play it. He played with such groups

as The Gospel Stylistics. The Mighty Wonders and many, many others. He leaves to cherish his memories and his humor two devoted cousins: Mr. Lemart Crawford and Miss Sandra' Crawford, other relatives and friends, a longtime and devoted friend, Mr. Donald Brown;

his caregiver, Mrs. Tania Ward. Funeral services were held at 12 Noon on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 in the chapel of Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home with Reverend Dennis Bishop officiating. The family visited with friends 30 minutes prior to the service. Interment in Piedmont Memorial Gardens. (Clark S. Brown & Sons)

## HARRIS

Nathaniel Harris, Jr., "Dabby," went home to be with the Lord with a smile on his face on, Sept. 5 at Forsyth Medical Center after a brief

period of illness. He was born July 1959 to Elizabeth Ramseur Harris and Nathaniel Harris, Sr., in Statesville, N.C. Mr. Harris attended the Winston-Salem



was also a skilled artist. He was preceded in death by his father, Nathaniel Harris, Sr., and two brothers, Jeffrey Ramseur and

Darryl Harris. He leaves to cherish his memory his mother and step-father, Elizabeth and Matthew Dodd; four sisters, Linda McDuffie, Sandra Ortiz, Harriett (Denise) Rose and Towanna Harris; three brothers, Tony Ramseur, Rodney and Scott Harris; three uncles, Doug and Austin Harris and Anthony Ramseur; three aunts, Geneva Harris, Christine, and Bessie Williams; three nephews, eight nieces, 16 great-nephews, 11 greatnieces, one great, great-nephew and a host of cousins and friends.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Sept. 13 at Restoration Christian Fellowship. Pastors Halbert and V. Rochelle Richardson officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

## LEAK

Mr. William Ray Leak, also known as "Billy Ray", went home to be with his master on Sept. 8.



He was born January 30, 1960 to Ella Mae Peak and Charles Aaron Leak, Sr. of Forsyth County.

He was a lifelong resident of Winston-Salem and a custodian for Winstonthe

Salem/Forsyth County School System. He was also educated in Electronic Repair.

He was preceded in death by his

Mr. Leak is survived by his daughter, Brenita Howard of Rural Hall, N.C.; a son, William Howard of Rural Hall, N.C.; a granddaughter, Elana Faith Archer; his father, Charles Aaron (Shirley) Leak, Sr.;

two sisters, Cheryl (JW) Holiday and Karen (Donald) Watson; three brothers, Charles Leak, Jr., Christopher (Iris) Leak, and Brian (Tina) Leak; one aunt; three uncles; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, a devoted friend, Angela Evans; God-mother, Minnie Evans; a future son-in-law, John Archer; and a host of other relatives and friends. If uneral services will be held at 12 noon Sept. 13 from the Russell Funeral Home Chapel. Ronnie Peoples officiated. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

## MANSEL

James Edward Mansel was born on Jan. 30, 1939. He departed from this life on Sept. 9 at Forsyth Medical Center. He was a native of

Winston-Salem, N.C. and graduated from Atkins High School. Class of 1957. James retired from RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company after 37 years of dedicated service.

James was preceded in death by his parents.

Leaving to cherish his precious memories are his loving wife, Agatha "Dit" Mansel of 34 years; four honorable sons, Buddell and Outher Rucker both of Detroit, M.I., Victor Rucker, and Al Dobson; two devoted daughters, Sheila and Wanda Rucker both of Winston-Salem, N.C.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 1p.m. Sept. 13 from the Carver Road Christian Church. Pastor Clyde Lindsey officiated. Interment followed in Piedmont Memorial Gardens. Online condolences may be

www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

## **NICHOLS**

Mrs. Wanda Faye Nichols of 2912 Emerson Street, Winston-Salem quietly departed this life Saturday, August 23, 2008 at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home following a brief illness. Born April 18, 1944 to the late Ralph and Mary Mrs. Jones.

Nichols was preceded in death by her sister, Mrs. Carolyn A. Porter, an aunt, Mrs. Geraldine Mack, and a niece, Ms. Cheryl Porter. A native of the

friends.

city, Mrs. Nichols joined Dreamland Baptist Church at an early age. Mrs. Nichols graduated from Atkins High School. She retired from Forsyth Memorial Hospital after more than 30 years of dedicated service. Mrs. Nichols most enjoyed traveling with family and

Surviving are her husband of 35 years, Mr. James Nichols; a daughter, Mrs. Tammy Ross Cockerham; two grandsons: Damon Jones and Davon Ross; one great grandson, Makynleon Jones; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Lethia Coleman; a devoted aunt, Mrs. Rose Robinson; three nieces: Ms. Angela Porter, Ms. Patrice Porter, and Ms. Lequita Coleman; four nephews: James Porter, Jonathan Porter, Martin Porter and Kevey Coleman; a devoted friend, Barbara Black and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral service was conducted at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, August 30, 2008 with visitation at 11:00 AM in the chapel of Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home. Interment in Evergreen Cemetery. (Clark S. Brown & Sons)

## ROBINSON

Felix Elbert Robinson, Sr. of 2516 NE Machine Street, a native of Winston-Salem, N.C. was born on January 1, 1941 to Richard J. and Ester Queen Robinson. made his peaceful transition early Friday morning,

Sept. 5 at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

He attended the local public schools and graduated from Atkins High School class of 1960. He was a retired employee of RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company since 1995 after 34 years of dedicated service.

Felix loved the outdoor life such as gardening and working on projects around the home and helping neighbors and friends. But, the love and sport of his life was fishing. He had a great sense of humor and was loved by many people, young and old. He was a member of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church where he attended Sunday School and Bible Study until his health failed.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his oldest brother, Richard Norris and sister Betty Ruth of Baltimore, MD. He is survived by his loving and

devoted wife of 45 years, Carrie Robinson of the home; sons, Felix E. (Tonya) Robinson of Clarksville, T.N. and Frederick L. (Tina) Robinson of Port Angeles, W.A.; daughters, Felicia Cassaberry of Winston-Salem, N.C. and Alesia Robinson of Charlotte, N.C.; brothers, Thomas (Edith) Robinson and Theodore (Carrie) Weldon of Winston-Salem, N.C.; sisters, Rosina (John) Brown, Esterline (Terrance) Wellman of Winston-Salem, N.C., and Darlene (Donald) Marable of Columbia, S.C.; an aunt, Almeta Gaston of Winston-Salem, N.C.; brothers-in-law, Willie Massey Jr., Tremus (Delores) Stephens, and Jessie (Kathy) Smith, Sr.; sisters-inlaw, Courtney Massey-Allah (Rakib), the Rev. Annie Duck, and Jeanette Terry of Winston-Salem, N.C.; 14 grandchildren, seven greatgrandchildren, a devoted grandson, Andre Robinson, nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends; pets, Doody (cat) and Tiny (dog).

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. September 12 at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Hicks officiated. Anderson Entombment was followed in Parklawn Memorial Gardens. Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

### SCALES

Carlton E. Scales, Sr. 80, husband to Willie H. Scales for 59 years, father and grandfather, passed away Sept. 13 at the Wake Forest University/Baptist Medical Center. Carlton was born April 10, 1928 in Walnut Cove, N.C.

After high school, he attended NC A&T University for two years. Carlton resided in Winston-Salem for the past 60 years; and worked and retired from RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company 1983 with 34 years of service. He enjoyed working on cars and fixing them; this was a great passion for him.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Louise Scales and his father, Valentine McLaughlin. Mr. Scales is survived by his

wife. Willie of the home; his children, Carlton, Jr., Patrice, Cassandra (Floyd) Neal, Darryl, Albert (Felicia) and his granddaughter whom he and his wife helped to raise, Chantelle (Wesley) Johnson; his grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held at 12

noon Sept. 18 from the Morning Star

Rev. J.L. Baptist Church. Montgomery officiated. Interment followed in Piedmont Memorial Gardens.

Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services arrangements.

## WAGNER

Mrs. Vendetta Terrell Wagner, 78, died Aug. 23 at her home in Winston-Salem. She was born on May 28, 1930 in Huntington, W.V., the daughter of Andrew Isaac Terrell and Lucille Gipson Terrell. She was preceded in death by her parents and her oldest child, Andrea Riley-



Wagner. Wagner is survived by her daughters, Bobette Wynter (Courtenay) and Cheryl Wagner, her son, Howard Wagner, 10 (Pamela), grandchildren, great grandchil-

dren and a host of extended family and dear friends who will forever cherish her loving memory.

A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Aug. 30th at Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church. Bishop Sheldon M. McCarter officiated. Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral services were in charge of services and arrangements.

## WARREN

Ms. Beverly Ann Poindexter Warren of 2550 Wallingford Rd. Winston-Salem, N.C. passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 14 at Forsyth Medical Center. She was born June 3, 1947 in

Winston-Salem, N.C. to Alphonso and Katherine Poindexter. Ms. Warren was a 1965 graduate

of Carver High School and alumnae of Bennett College Greensboro, N.C. She was a former employee of Aon Consulting and Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

Previously she played the piano at St. James United Methodist Church and loved spending time with family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents.Ms. Warren leaves to cherish her memories her loving and devoted daughters, Robin Warren and Regan Warren (Daryl) Jeter; one sister, June Poindexter Anthony; four grandchildren, Alexander Warren, Shane Jeter, Semaj Warren, and Tristan Jeter; one great-grandchild, Alexia Crawl; her mother-in-law, Lucille Warren; a loving friend, James East; a former spouse, Reginald Warren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Sept. 18 from the St. James United Methodist Church, 165 Highway 65 W. Rural Hall, N.C. Dr. Paul Perkins officiated. Interment followed in the Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, acknowledgments may be made to the St. James United Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com. Russell Funeral directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

# Mrs. Mae Ella Worthy September 18, 2007





We miss you and your loving smile. Our hearts are sad. No one can fill your vacant place. You are not forgotten loved one Nor will you ever be.

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