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ROBERT S. BOWDITCH

Robert S. Bowditch, 61, of the South Toe River Community died at the home of a brother Tuesday morning, August 31. He was a native of Yancey County, the son of the late John A. and Mildred Ballew Bowditch, a World War II veteran and a retired Charlotte groceryman.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Lawrence Gibbs of Burnsville Route 5; one brother, Frank W. Bowditch of Burnsville Route 5.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. Linwood Dietz officiated and burial was in the Ballew Seven Mile Ridge Road Cemetery.

GRADY PENLAND

Grady Penland, 71, of the Horton Creek Community of Yancey County, died unexpectedly Friday morning at the home of a sister, Mrs. Mack Styles. He was a son of the late Harvey and Hattie Ray Penland.

Surviving in addition to Mrs. Styles is another sister, Mrs. Roy Penland of Route 3, Burnsville and two brothers, Max Penland of Morganton and Eddie Penland of Johnson City, Tenn.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Paint Gap Presbyterian Chrch with Revs. John D. Stewart Bert Styles and Walser Penland officiating. Burial was in the Horton Cemetery.

WILLIS E. KIVETTE

Willis E. Kivette of Southern Pines, North Carolina (father of Everett Kivette of Painting in the Mountains) died August 26th, 1976 at his home in Southern Pines.

He is survived, in addition to Everett Kivette, by his wife, Wi llie Brown Kivette of Southern Pines; a foster daughter, Willie Reardon McBride of Trinity, N.C.; three sisters, Mrs. John Hood of Buie's Creek, Mrs. Jack Ragland of Buie's Creek, and Mrs. Bishop Brantley of Raleigh, North Carolina.

Funeral services were held Sunday, August 29, at the Judging Set For Community Improvement

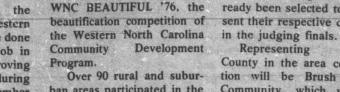
Judging to select the organized areas in Western North Carolina that have done the most outstanding job in beautification and improving the visual environment during 1976 will be held September 15-17. The occasion will be the area judging of the community club division of

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ban areas participated in the annual year-round beautification project this year. Fourteen communities have al-

WNC BEAUTIFUL '76, the ready been selected to reprebeautification competition of sent their respective counties

> Representing Yancey County in the area competition will be Brush Creek Community, which will be inspected by a judging team composed of Mrs. Shirley Traughber of Enka, chairman

of the Asheville Council of assistant state conservationist for Tennessee and William Sweet, landscape architect, N.C. National Forests.

An area judging will also be done this month involving county winners of a division of

WNC BEAUTIFUL program Garden Clubs; Charles R., for organizations and groups / Patton. Asheville, former other than community clubs. This is being done by a different juding team.

Cash awards totaling \$1700 will be presented to winners of the two divisions at a luncheon meeting of the WNC Community Development Program committee on encourage communities and September 23 at 12 noon at the S & W Cafeteria at the Asheville Mall. The beautification pro-

gram is sponsored by the Western North Carolina Development Association and the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service. Aim is to

groups to conduct organized clean-up programs or special beautification projects and to recognize those doing a particularly good job.

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First Baptist Church of Southern Pines. Burial took place at Buie's Creek, his home community, where Mr. Kivette was trustee of Campbell College there. Mr. Kivette was deacon of the Southern Pines Church and **Trustee of Southern National** Bank.

ROBERT HYLEMON

Robert Hylemon, 34, formerly of Burnsville died early Saturday morning in an automobile accident in Covington, Georgia. He was a member of the Covington Police Department and was on duty at the time of the accident. He was a Mason, a member of Golden Fleece Lodge No.6 F&A.M.

Surviving are the wife Winona King Hylemon of Covington; the parents, Abe and Myra Phillips Hylemon of Burnsville; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Hughes of Burnsville and Mrs. Rudolph Boone of Monticello, Ga.

The body was returned to Burnsville Monday morning. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Chapel of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. James Beaver officiated. Masonic Grave Rites were conducted by Burnsville Lodge No. 717 A.F.&A.M. and Burial was in the Cane River Church Cemetery.

Note Thanks Of

Darrell A. Woodby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Woodby of Route 1, Burnsville has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force.

Airman Woodby, a graduate of Cane River High School, joined under the Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program which allows him to accumulate time in the Air Force Reserve until he enters active duty on September 23, 1976.

Sergeant Steve Cochran, Air Force recruiter in Asheville, stated that Airman Woodby successfully completed a series of tests which qualified him for the mechan ical field of training

