

Obituaries

GEORGE B. CARVER

George Raleigh Carver, 75, a retired farmer of Rt. 1, Belvidere, died Thursday at 3:45 p.m. in the Albemarle Hospital.

A Perquimans County native, he was the son of the late Daniel and Mrs. Martha Rountree Carver and the husband of Mrs. Ada Winslow Carver.

Surviving besides his widow is one daughter, Mrs. Seymour (Doris) Chappell of Rt. 4, Hertford; one son, Darvin Carver of Belvidere; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in the Bethany United Methodist Church by the Rev. Daniel Forbes and the Rev. Archie Creed. "How Great Thou Art" and "Beyond the Sunset" were sung by the Up River Choir accompanied by Miss Wilma Jollif, pianist. The pall was made of red carnations, white chrysanthemums and fern.

Pallbearers were Jimmy Baker, Vivian Baker, Arba Carver, J.D. Carver, Charles Carver, and Raymond Gregory.

Burial followed in Up River Cemetery with Swindell Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

GEEDIA REDDICK DAIL

Geedia Reddick Dail, 67, a retired farmer of Rt. 1, Hertford died Sunday morning at 3:30 in Albemarle Hospital. A Perquimans County native, he was the son of the late Ira and Mrs. Barbara Lassiter Dail.

He was a member of the Great Hope Baptist Church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lillian Carawan Dail; three step-sons, William Lloyd Nixon and Jerry M. Nixon of Elizabeth City and Nelson C. Nixon of Ft. Meyers, Fla.; two sisters, Miss Roxie Dail of Rt. 3, Hertford and Mrs. Janie Strong of Norfolk, Va.; three brothers, Rennie Dail and

Charlie Dail of Rt. 1, Hertford and Lofton Dail of Rt. 3, Hertford; and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Great Hope Baptist Church by the Rev. George Broome.

The church choir sang "In the Garden" and "Old Rugged Cross" accompanied by Mrs. C.T. Mansfield.

Pallbearers were Jesse Dail, Earl Riddick, Donald Riddick, Percy Newbern, Parker Newbern and Earl Dail.

Honorary pallbearers were Samuel Mansfield, Curvin Mansfield, Odus C. Mansfield, Archie Lane Sr., Freeman Mansfield, Hugh Harrell, Archie T. Lane Jr. and A.J. Mansfield.

Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Swindell Funeral Home.

LETHIA ROUNTREE STALLINGS

Mrs. Lethia Rountree Stallings, 88, died Monday afternoon in Louise Obici Hospital in Suffolk, Va. following a long illness. A native of Gates County, she was the daughter of the late Jack and Nora Twine Rountree and the wife of the late J. Herbert Stallings. She was the oldest member of the Sandy Cross Baptist Church, a former Sunday School teacher and a member of the Women's Missionary Society.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. B.W. Edwards of Suffolk, Va., Mrs. Forrest Wiggins of Hobbsville and Mrs. Horace Overman of Hobbsville; seven sons, J.H. Stallings Jr. and Dewey Stallings of Belvidere, Delton "Bake" Stallings of Hertford, Lloyd "Punch" Stallings of Belvidere, Ray Stallings of Hobbsville, Rountree Stallings and Claxton Stallings of Belvidere; 26 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Sandy Cross Baptist Church by the Rev. Bobby Hewitt, pastor.

Pallbearers were her grandsons Jimmie Wiggins, Horace Overman Jr., Larry Stallings, Richard Earl Stallings, Donald Stallings, Steve Stallings, C.F. Stallings Jr. and Kenneth Stallings Jr.

Burial followed in the Rountree Family Cemetery.

Sunday School Lesson

JESUS DECLARES HIS MISSION

(Luke 4:14-24)

After His entrance upon His public ministry, Christ made a preaching tour in Galilee and returned to Nazareth with a longing to make known the way of life to His own townspeople all of whom knew Him. He resorted to the synagogue on the Sabbath to join in public worship, as had been His lifelong custom.

It was the custom in the synagogue that when a distinguished visitor was present the one in charge of the service would invite him to read the scriptures, and then deliver any message he might have for the people. Such an invitation was extended to Christ and, always alert to embrace every opportunity to speak to the people, to preach and to serve, He readily accepted the invitation. In a synagogue service two lessons were read: the one from the Law and the other from the Prophets.

When Christ stood to read, the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. Turning to the sixty-first chapter of that prophecy, which begins with the statement, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me," He read the verses which declared God's purpose to send the Messiah to preach the gospel to the poor, to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who were bruised, and to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. What a mission! Perhaps the most significant thing about our Lord's reading of this portion of Isaiah was where He stopped — in the middle of a sentence, with only a comma separating it from the next words. Had He read more Christ could not have given the explanation which He did.

When Christ finished reading, He gave the scroll back to the attendant who had handed it to Him, and sat down, which was a sure sign that He was about to speak. This was in keeping with the Jewish custom — they stood when they read and sat when they taught. The attention of all who were present was concentrated on Jesus. They wondered how He would interpret what He had read. Christ made the explicit and startling declaration that Isaiah's prophecy was fulfilled in Him. When they began to think about the claims that Christ had made for Himself, they became very angry at what He had said. They were highly prejudiced against the truth which He had declared, so they immediately began to quibble about the messenger. They refused to believe what Christ had said because they regarded Him only as the son of a local carpenter, whose name was Joseph. Those who rejected Christ and His message had been blinded by insufficient information and hardness of heart.

Bitterly resentful of what Christ had claimed with reference to Himself, they resolved that they would put Him to death. They refused to believe that truth which He taught, and therefore rejected both the Messiah and His message. They cast Him out of Nazareth and intended to throw Him over a precipice nearby. But God's purposes could not be thwarted, so Christ miraculously passed through their midst, went His way, and was not harmed by these prejudiced townspeople. They demanded a miracle, so one was performed by their being prevented from laying

their hands upon Him, for He disappeared at the very time they wanted to kill Him. How tragic though when Christ turns from an individual or a people because He takes with Him what all sorely need, which is salvation from sin through and by Him.

The Sunday School Lesson is sent in each week by Clear Creek Baptist School in Pineville, Ky. and is written by Dr. H.C. Chiles.



REV. JAMES H. BAILEY

Preaching Mission Is Scheduled

Rev. James H. Bailey will be the guest minister for a preaching mission themed "The Holy Spirit" to be held Jan. 16-18 at the Hertford United Methodist Church.

Services will begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. and a nursery will be provided. The Sunday message will be "The Demands of Discipleship," the Monday message is titled, "The Christian's Answer to Worry" and the services will be rounded out with the Tuesday night message entitled, "How to Receive the Holy Spirit and What You've Got After You Receive It."

The public is cordially invited to attend these preaching mission services.

Rev. Bailey is pastor of Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church in Greenville, N.C. He is a native of Darlington, S.C. He received a B.A. degree from Wofford College, a B.D. degree from Duke University and did graduate study at Syracuse University.

N.Y. He has a long and impressive list of accomplishments, memberships and publications. He has served pastorates in Fort Mill, S.C.; Saluda, Elm City, Wilson, Weldon, N.C.; and Chestnut Street United Methodist Church in Lumberton, N.C.

The host pastor is Rev. Milton T. Mann.

HOLIDAY VISITORS
During the Holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hourmouzes of Newport News, Va. spent several days with Mrs. Sam (Lena) Hourmouzes.

VISITS HERE
Lewis Smith, student at N.C. State University, Raleigh, spent the Holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Smith.

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Mr. & Mrs. William Woodley Bundy Jr.

Bundy-Rubel Exchange Vows

In a candlelight ceremony, the wedding of Miss Christine Marie Rubel and Woodley Bundy Jr. was solemnized Dec. 12 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Woodley Bundy Sr. at Harvey Point Road, Hertford.

Robert Choate Downes III of Newport News, Va., nephew of the groom, was ring bearer.

Mrs. Sharon B. Downes of Newport News, sister of the groom, was mistress of ceremony.

A reception was held after the wedding. Those assisting included Mrs. Lela Bundy, Mrs. Ida Claire Saunders, Mrs. Marjorie Holland, and Mrs. Aubrey Onley.

The bride is a native of New York and attended Boston College and College of the Albemarle. The bridegroom also attended College of the Albemarle, is a farmer and free-lance writer.

After a trip to Toronto, Canada, the couple is now at home at Rt. 1, Hertford.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Marie-Claude Becker of Spartanburg, S.C. and the late Stephen Rubel.

The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Woodley Bundy Sr. of Hertford.

Rev. Anne Ruth Phelps of Merry Hill, N.C. officiated at the double ring ceremony. Wedding music was presented by Mrs. Julia Ann Onley, aunt of the groom, and Mrs. Kitty Barringer of Edenton. Selections included "Lara's Theme" from Doctor Zhivago and a benediction, "A Wedding Prayer."

The bride descended the stairway accompanied by Robert O. Stephens of Elizabeth City by whom she was given in marriage. She was attired in an afternoon dress of mauve satin featuring a tucked bodice with pleated front panel and wide belted, fitted waistline. Her headpiece was a cymbidium orchid and she carried a bouquet of mums, daisies and baby's breath.

WOMEN'S AGLOW MEETING

The Elizabeth City Women's Aglow Fellowship will be meeting on Saturday, Jan. 15 at the V.F.W. Building beginning at 9:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be Betty Ryan from Barrington, Ill. She is the daughter of Aglow President Edith Killmon. All are invited to hear this testimony. For reservations, call 264-2877 or 330-2647. Nursery facilities are available by calling 335-0950.

FIRST BAPTIST NEWS

First Baptist Church Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship service follows at 11 a.m. Rev. J.H. London will preach from the text: "An Ambassador in Chains" (Ephesians 6:19,20). The Senior Choir will sing under the direction of Vernon Jones, organist.

The Perquimans County Fellowship Union will be held at the Saunders Grove Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m.

For Your Information

Dear friends,

Death is "a feeling of peace and wholeness," according to several hundred patients who have been declared medically dead, but revived by recent, sophisticated medical skills, says Dr. Elizabeth Kuebler-Ross of Chicago. "Not one of them has ever been afraid to die again," she said.

Respectfully,

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