

# Local News

## Area obituaries

**REV. JAMES O. MATTOX**  
**RALEIGH**—The Rev. James O. Mattox, 63, of 3310 Clark Ave., Raleigh, died Thursday, February 26, 1987.

The Rev. Mattox was a former pastor of the Hertford Baptist Church and had also pastored churches in Red Springs and Rutherfordton. A native of Nash County, Mr. Mattox graduated from Wake Forest University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served as chaplain in the U.S. Army and received the Bronze Star for meritorious service during the Korean War. Mr. Mattox served on numerous committees and boards of the N.C. Baptist State Convention; Trustee for the Baptist Homes for the aging, member of the Biblical Recorder Board of Directors, General Board and the Council on Christian Higher Education.

He also served as a leader in the communities where he lived as an active participant in community and school projects and was a former president of the Rutherfordton Kiwanis International.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in Forest Hills Baptist Church, Raleigh. Burial followed in Montlawn Memorial Park.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Doris Meekins Mattox; two sons, James Phillip Mattox of Jacksonville, Fla., and Mark Shawn Mattox of Raleigh; a daughter, Ms. Doris Suzanne Mattox of Charlottesville, Va.; his mother, Mrs. Mabel Bragg Mattox of Raleigh; his brother, Bernard Washington Mattox of Los Angeles, California.

Memorial donations may be made to Forest Hills Baptist Church, 3110 Clark Ave., Raleigh, N.C. 27607 or to Hospice of Wake County, P.O. Box 12043, Raleigh, N.C. 27605.

Information was provided by Swindell Funeral Home.

**RALPH T. ALPHIN**  
**PORTSMOUTH, VA**—Ralph Tilford Alphin, 88, 214 Rockbridge Road, died Feb. 27, at 4 a.m., in Chesapeake General Hospital.

The funeral was conducted at Zion United Methodist Church, Gatesville, today at 3 p.m. by the Rev. Daniel Bowman. Burial was at Hofler Family Cemetery, Gatesville.

Mr. Alphin was a U.S. Navy World War I veteran, a Methodist and a member of the Masonic Lodge, Clarksdale, Mo.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lola Hofler Alphin of the home. He was the son of the late Rhoda Lee and Charlie Alphin.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Esther Barber, Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. Joyce Rhodes of Woodbridge, Va.; two sons, Guy Alphin of Portsmouth and Robert Alphin of Louisville, Ken.; two sisters Mrs. Esther Isaacs of Clarksdale, Mo., and Mrs. Daisy Redman of St. Joseph, three brothers, Chester Alphin and Phil Alphin of Clarksdale, and Hank Alphin of St. Joseph; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

**MARGARET E. BURCH**  
**NORFOLK, VA**—Mrs. Margaret "Maggie" Elizabeth Burch, 81, formerly of 824 Redgate Ave., Norfolk, Va., died Monday, March 2, 1987, at 12:30 a.m. in Chesapeake General Hospital.

A native of Perquimans County she was the daughter of the late Josephus and Texana Byrum Chappell and the widow of Henry Carlton

## Service news

**GREENE**  
 Navy Seaman Recruit Shawn K. Greene, son of Norma J. Williams of Holiday Island, Hertford, NC, has completed recruit training training at Recruit Training Command Great Lakes, Ill.

During Greene's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Greene's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for their hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1986 graduate of Stafford Senior High School, Fredericksburg, VA, he joined the Navy in November 1986.

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Burch. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include three sons, Joseph H. Burch and James L. Burch, both of Norfolk, Va. and Elton Curtis Burch of Portsmouth, Va.; a sister, Pauline Van Osten of Parump, Nev.; 7 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Swindell Funeral Chapel, Hertford, with the Rev. Eula Harrell officiating. Burial followed in the Chappel Family Cemetery near Belvidere.

**AMY M. GRIFFITHS**  
 Infant Amy Maria Griffiths of 22022 Dickerson Road, Dickerson, Maryland died Saturday, Feb. 21, at George Washington University Hospital.

Born Jan. 1, 1987, she was the daughter of David R. and Catherine Butt Griffiths. Her maternal grandparents were Calvin and Anne Rountree Butt, her maternal great grandmother was Edith Hobbs Butt.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 25th, at Dickerson United Methodist Church. Interment was in Monocacy Cemetery, Beallsville, Maryland.

Arrangements were made by the Hilton Funeral Home, Barnesville, Md.

**Buckle up!  
 The life you  
 save may  
 be your own**



Pictured above is Jean White, Perquimans County Register of Deeds. Mrs. White is shown here as she speaks with Mrs. Washington's class concerning county government. Last week was county government week in North Carolina, and Mrs. Williams' classed each had visitors in to speak on the subject of county government.



In Finland it was once considered a sign of piety to shoot arrows at trees.

## Look who's new

**WILLIAM T. CARTWRIGHT**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ray Cartwright, Sr. of Route 1, Belvidere, NC announce the birth of their third child, second son, William Thomas Cartwright born February 25, 1987 in Chowan Hospital, Edenton, NC.

Maternal grandparent is Mrs. Elma Pierce of Powellsville, NC. Paternal grandparent is Mrs. Myrtle Cartwright of Belvidere, NC.

Mrs. Cartwright is the former Linda Jernigan of Powellsville, NC. Mr. and Mrs. David Ziemba of Hertford announce the birth of their third child, second son, Jonathan Alexander Ziemba, born Feb 28, 1987 in Chowan Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Howle of Charlotte. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ziemba of Edenton.



Legend has it a Roman emperor was such a sure shot he could fire his arrows between the spread fingers of a man's hand.



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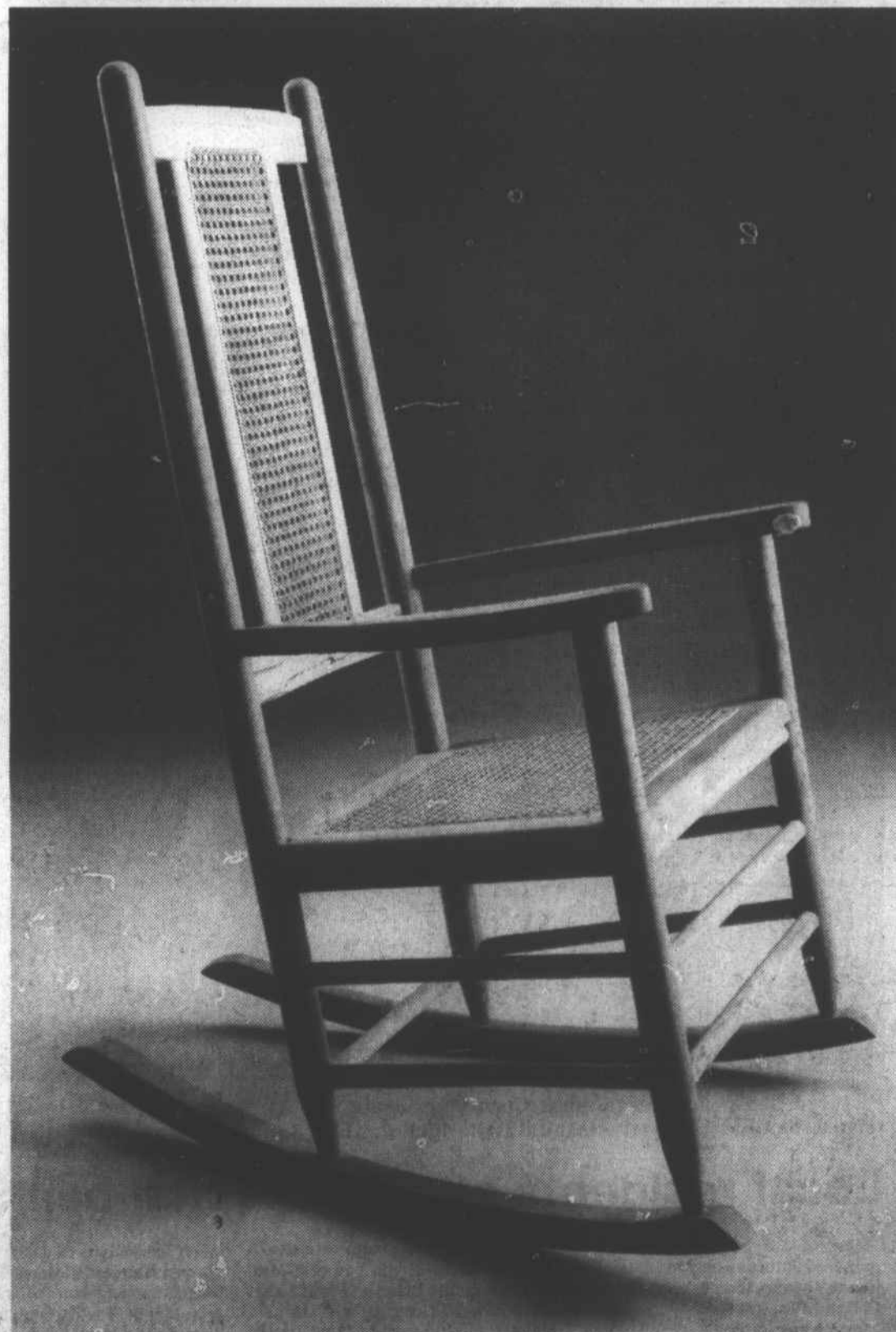
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