

Obituaries

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mrs. Bessie Foster Wright wish to express our thanks to Dr. Toms, Dr. Lee, Dr. Crawley, Dr. Durham, the emergency room staff and the nurses of North Station at Kings Mountain Hospital, also Harris Funeral Home, the Kings Mountain Police Department and the many wonderful friends and neighbors and churches who shared our grief in the recent loss of our mother.

THE BESSIE WRIGHT FAMILY

A. ROY HORD, SR.

Funeral services for A. Roy Hord, Sr., 76, of 3036 Marlowe Ave., Charlotte, former resident of Kings Mountain, were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. from Hawkins and Whittington Funeral Home Chapel in Charlotte, interment following in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Hord died Dec. 28th in Hospitality Care in Charlotte.

He had retired from the Charlotte Post Office after 37 years of service and before joining the U.S. Postal Service taught in the Conover School System. He was long active in the Little League Program and American Legion Baseball, having coached the Enderly Park Little League team and the Jayvee Football junior varsity program at Harding High. He was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Frances Hord, of the home; three sons, A. Roy Hord, Jr. of Riverside, Calif., Robert E. Hord of Monroe and Rick Hord of Rock Hill, S.C.; a daughter, Mrs. Sandra Frye of Charlotte; a sister, Mrs. Kate Willis of Hendersonville; and 11 grandchildren.

The family has designated memorials to Calvary United Methodist Church, 512 West Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28203.

AMZIE McCLAIN

Funeral services for Amzie McClain, 111 McGill Farm Road, who died Dec. 23 in Kings Mountain Hospital, were conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday from Ebenezer Baptist Church, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Survivors include two sisters, Edith Chambers of Kings Mountain and Jesse Jackson of Bessemer City.

J.W. Gill & Sons Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DEWITT BLANTON

Dewitt Blanton, 70, of Kings Mountain, died December 28 at his home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late James and Ora Jolly Blanton. He was a retired textile employee and member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Yates Blanton; two sons, Dewitt Blanton of Athens, Ga., and James C. Blanton of Alexandria, Va.; two daughters, Mrs. Sybil Smith, fellow of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Rebecca Early of Shelby; one brother, Paul Blanton of Bessemer City; one sister, Mrs. Gary Biddix of Biloxi, Miss.; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday at Harris Funeral Home by the Rev. Harwood Smith. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

MAGGIE JONES

Funeral services for Maggie Fulton Jones, 92, of 1040 Barnette St., who died Friday in the Kings Mountain Hospital, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m. from New Bynums Chapel AME Zion Church by the Rev. S.S. Jackson, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mrs. Jones was a native of York County, S.C., daughter of the late Batch and Liza McGill and the wife of the late John Jones.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John Ida White and Mary Turner of Kings Mountain; a sister, Mary Christwell of Kings Mountain and nine grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

Dockery's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MATTIE B. PETTIS

Mattie Brown Pettis, 931 N. Highland St., Gastonia, died Wednesday in the Kings Mountain Hospital.

She was a member, deaconess, and missionary of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, James P. Pettis; four daughters, Ida Jeter and Ollie Minor, both of Gastonia, Sara Good of the home, and Margaret Borders of Bayonne, N.J.; son, Albert L. Pettis of the home; mother, Ida J. Brown of Kings Mountain; sister, Ollie B. Wade of Bessemer City; two brothers, Robert and George Brown, both of Kings Mountain; 13 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

VIOLA R. CURRY

Funeral services for Viola R. Curry, Route 5, who died Tuesday in Gaston Memorial Hospital, were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday from Ebenezer Baptist Church, interment following in the church cemetery.

She was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Grace Curry of Kings Mountain and Pinkie Blair of Gastonia; son, Theodore H. Rhodes of Kings Mountain; sister, Ruth Rhodes of Kings Mountain; brother, Robert Rhodes of High Point; and a granddaughter.

Coster Funeral Home of Gastonia was in charge of arrangements.

JESSE E. PETERSON

GROVER - Jesse E. Peterson, 81, of Park Lane, Grover, died Sunday at his home.

A Cherokee County, S.C., native, he was the son of the late Jim and Susan Wilson Peterson. He was a retired textile employee and member of First Baptist Church, Grover.

He is survived by his wife, Mamie Mary Wright Peterson; three sons, J.W. Peterson of Grover, Robert Peterson of Shelby and Thurman Peterson of Kings Mountain; six daughters, Pauline Turner, Alma Bolin and Shirley Philbeck, all of Grover, Annie Mae Adams, Thelma Kimball and Betty Biddix, all of Kings Mountain; seven brothers, Coleman Peterson, Rochelle Peterson, Clyde Peterson and Olin Peterson, all of Gaffney, S.C.; David Peterson of Ft. Mill, S.C.; Theo Peterson of Sacramento, Ca., and James Peterson of Shelby; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Bolton and Mrs. Ruth Owens, both of Gaffney, S.C.; 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Grover, by Dr. Bobby Gantt and Dr. Paul Sorrells. Burial was in Grover Cemetery.

MARY BARNES

Funeral services for Mary Graham Barnes were conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Zion Hill Baptist Church by the Rev. Frank Smith and the Rev. D.C. Wilson. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Barnes, 86, of 417 S. Mulberry St., Cherryville, died Thursday at home.

A Lancaster, S.C., native, she was the daughter of the late Willie and Rebecca Thompson Bell.

She is survived by eight sons, Johnny Graham of Bessemer City, Stan and Joe Louis Graham of Passaic, N.J., Ernest Graham of Dayton, Ohio; Conway Graham of the home, Jessie and John Andra Barnes of Cleveland Ohio, and Joseph Barnes of Washington, D.C.; six daughters, Viola Rollins of Cherryville, Mary Houser of Kings Mountain, Florence Johnson of Clifton, N.J., Dorothy Starr of Passaic, N.J., Plumie Straight of Thomasville and Mary Sue Cannon of Kannapolis; a brother, Willie Giles of Kannapolis; a sister, Alice Stanback of Washington, D.C.; 40 grandchildren; and 48 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Zion Hill Baptist Church, where she belonged to the Missionary Circle.

HAROLD FALLS, SR.

Funeral services for Harold Rodman Falls, Sr., of 105 Pine Drive, McAdenville, Kings Mountain native, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. from Woodlawn Baptist Church in Gastonia, interment following in Gaston Memorial Park.

Rev. Wade McKnight and Rev. Billy R. Miller officiated at the rites.

He died Dec. 21, 1984 in Charlotte Presbyterian Hospital.

Mr. Falls was the son of the late Ira and Bertha Culbertson Falls of Kings Mountain and was educated in the KM School System. He was employed in textile management by Pharr Yarns in McAdenville and was a former member of the McAdenville Recreation Committee and a veteran of the U.S. Navy with service during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Martha Sanders Falls, of the home; two sons, Harold Rodman Falls, Jr. of Gastonia and Eric Todd Falls of the home; three brothers, William Falls, James Falls, and Doytt Falls, all of Kings Mountain; four sisters, Mrs. Ruby Navy, Mrs. Joyce Hilliard, both of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Shirley Wilson of Gastonia and Mrs. Eloise Acuff of Gastonia; and one grandchild.

MRS. MALLIE ADAMS

Funeral services for Mrs. Mallie Ray Hill Adams, 75, of 405 York Road, widow of Frank A. Adams, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. from East Side Baptist Church of which she was a charter member.

Rev. Buddy Williams and Rev. Dale Thornburg officiated at the rites and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mrs. Adams was daughter of the late A.H. and Mary Jane Hardin Hill.

Surviving are her son, William H. (Bob) West; two stepsons, Lawrence Adams of Kings Mountain and Fred Adams of Dallas; one daughter, Mrs. Thelma McGraw of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; one sister, Mrs. Bertha Sisk of Forest City; 14 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

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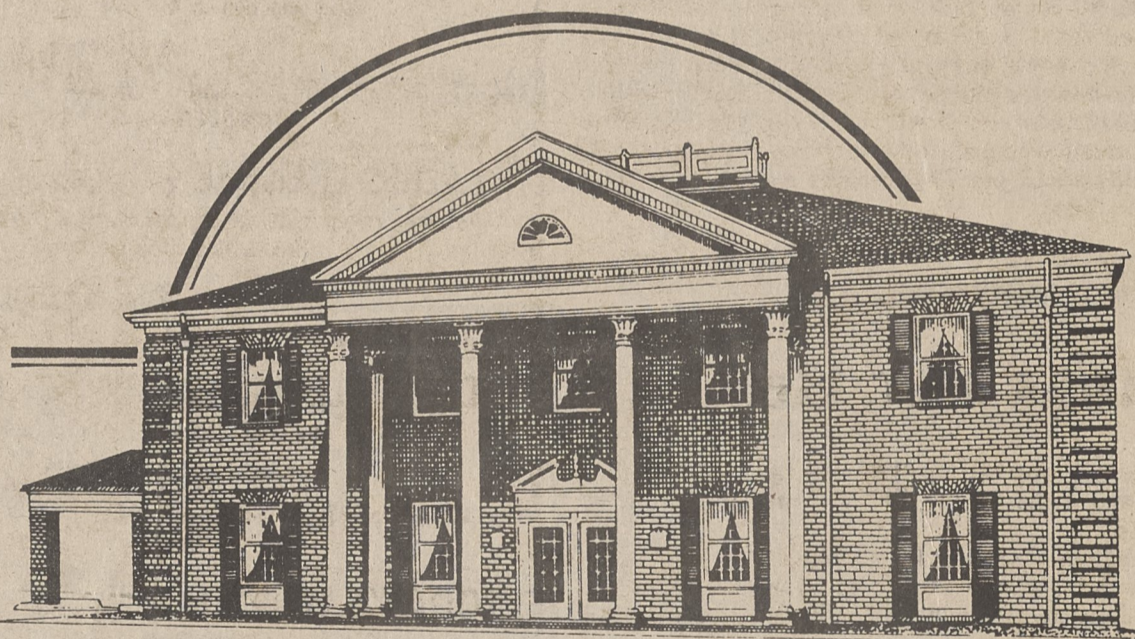
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