

OBITUARIES

LUTHER GORDON
Funeral services for Luther Martin Gordon, 65, of 305 N. Cansler Sr., who died Monday, were conducted Thursday at 4 p.m. from Vestibule AME Zion Church with the Rev. Walter Adams and Rev. Stellite Jackson officiating. Interment followed in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mr. Gordon was a Cleveland County native, a veteran of World War II. Surviving are his wife, Annie Mae Hickman Gordon; his father, Luther M. Gordon of Philadelphia, Pa.; three stepdaughters, Peggy Friday of Gastonia, Phyllis Byers of East Orange, N.J., and Joyce Hewett of Jamaica; and five step-grandchildren.

MRS. MARILYN HARRISON
Funeral services for Mrs. Marilyn Strickland Harrison, 42, of Dunn, sister of Mrs. John (Carolyn) McGinnis of Kings Mountain, were held last Monday in Dunn Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Harrison died suddenly after a brief illness. She underwent emergency brain surgery last Thursday and died on Saturday.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Belvin Strickland of Drumm. Surviving, in addition to her parents and sister here, are a sister, Vickie Johnson of Dunn and a brother, B. L. Strickland of Dunn.

Mrs. Harrison had been a resident of Charlotte for seven years and an employee of AT&T for 15 years.

W. C. FALLS
Graveside services for William Curtis Falls, 86, of 208 Mills Ave., who died Saturday night at home, were conducted Tuesday from Woodlawn Memorial Park in Greenville, S.C.

Born in Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Dr. Benjamin Franklin Falls and the late Susan Curtis Falls and had retired from Duke Power Company as Superintendent of the Greenville Operating and Transmission Division. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Greenville and a Scottish Rite Mason. He was married to the late Ruth Bumgardner Falls, who died in March, 1986.

Surviving are his daughter,

Mrs. R. Jones Fortune of Kingsport, Tenn., his son, Eugene D. Falls of Charlotte, his sister, Mrs. Ruth S. Richardson of Richland, Ga. and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the building fund of First Baptist Church, 847 Cleveland St., Greenville, S.C. 29601.

MRS. HUMPHRIES
Bessie Hamrick Humphries, 85, of Route 4, Kings Mountain, died Tuesday at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Thomas and Mary Humphries Hamrick and the wife of the late William Humphries.

She was a homemaker and member of Dixon Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by one son, Thomas Humphries of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mrs. Bernie Bolton and Mrs. Flora Putnam, both of Shelby; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted Thursday at 3 p.m. at Dixon Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Graham Wood. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at Harris Funeral Home.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to many friends and the employees of the Kings Mountain Hospital, Kings Mountain Convalescent Center and Dr. Joseph Lee for the service and care they provided to our father and husband during his extended illness. Your thoughts and expressions are sincerely appreciated.

THE FAMILY OF
BOYER A. MURRAY

MRS. LOWERY
Nellie May Lowery, 65, of 531 Baker Street, Kings Mountain, died Tuesday at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Greenville, S.C., she was the daughter of the late Jim and Dovie Robertson Pritchard and wife of the late Clyde Lowery. She was a retired textile employee and member of Second Baptist Church.

She is survived by two sons, Memobery Lowery and Ralph Lowery, both of Kings Mountain; one brother, Jay Pritchard of Bessemer City; one sister, Ruth Allen of

Bedsole Is D.J. Of Year

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The D.J. of the Year Banquet, which was held Saturday at 2 p.m., is part of the week-long SGMA convention which drew about 20,000 people per night. People from all over the United States attend to hear some of the best gospel singers in the business. Another highlight of the week is "The Singing News" fans awards night on Thursday night when the top gospel music entertainers are honored.

Among the celebrities attending this year's convention was country music star Larry Gatlin, who is a born-again Christian and a big gospel music fan. "He didn't perform," Bedsole noted. "He came solely to hear the good gospel singing."

Surprise visitors on Saturday night were Bill and Gloria Gaither, popular gospel musicians and song writers, and their New Gaither Band.

"At least for one week, gospel music was alive and well in Nashville," Bedsole said.

Gospel music was a part of Bedsole's life long before he began his association with WKMT. Since the age of seven, he's been a gospel singer. He is presently director of the adult choir at Piedmont Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, and he also sings at gospel singings, weddings and funerals.

"I'm really proud that WKMT has included gospel singing in its nighttime programming," said Bedsole. "I hope as time goes on that we can add some more, because the people really want to hear it."

"I just like to see the station be a good neighbor to the people by providing good programming," he said. "I would like to see more people listening to us. And I'd also like to see the people get more involved in supporting gospel music in the area. Any time there is a gospel music concert in the area or gospel singings in churches, the people need to support them."

Dixon Named Loan Officer

Eric L. Dixon has been named a consumer credit loan officer for First Citizens Bank in Shelby.

The Kings Mountain native earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

CARD OF THANKS

To our church families of Oak Grove Baptist Church and Patterson Grove Baptist Church, to the many friends, neighbors, and all who have been concerned for us, we are grateful. Continue to remember us in your prayers. Your thoughtfulness and caring way has helped us so much in this time of need.

To the doctors and nurses at Kings Mountain Hospital, we'd like to express a special Thank You for everything you have done. We know you did your best and that's all anyone could ask for.

Thanks again everyone.
THE FAMILY OF
RALPH W. DEDMON

Fayetteville; and two grandchildren.

Services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Eugene Land. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

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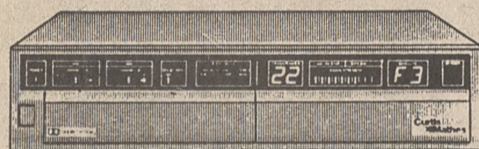
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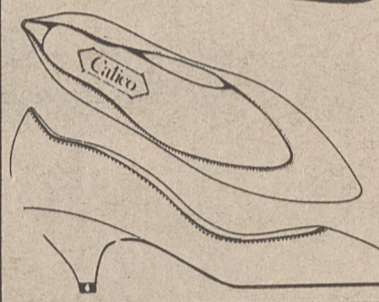
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