

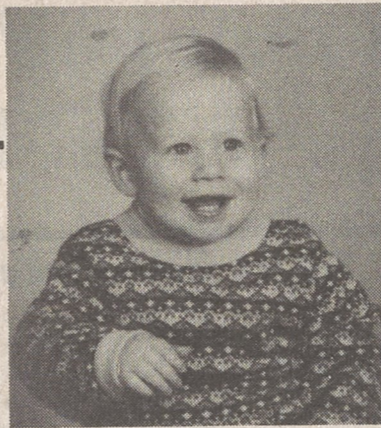
# Birthdays

## It's a boy for Panthers

Wayne and Sonya Panther of Kings Mountain announce the birth of a son, Chasen Edmond Cree Panther, February 19 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital. Chase has an older brother, Brandon, age three. Grandparents are Mr. and

Mrs. Clarence Edmond "Buddy" Smith Jr. of Kings Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Franklin Cree Panther of Grover. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Smith Sr. of Kings Mountain, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pleasant of

Hickory Grove, S.C., Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Kirby of Gaffney, S.C., Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Panther of Grover, and Mrs. Elizabeth Perkins of Gastonia and the late Luther Perkins. Great-great-grandmother is Annie Panther of Grover.



BRADLEY BELL

## Bradley Scott Bell notes first birthday

Bradley Scott Bell celebrated his first birthday with a party at home with his family and friends. He is the son of Brian and Martha Bell, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby

Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Alexander of Kings Mountain. He is the great-grandson of Katherine Moore of Kings Mountain and Lennie Barnes of Connecticut.

## It's a boy for Soots

David and Tammy Soots of Hudson announce the birth of a son, Tyler David Soots, February 12 at Valdese General Hospital in Valdese.

Grandparents are Claudine and Chubb Cobb, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry White of Kings Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs.

Harold Soots of Lenoir. The baby's mother is the former Tammy White of Kings Mountain.

## Obituaries

**RUTH HAMBRIGHT GROVER** - Ruth Crisp Hambright, 78, of 304 Cleveland Avenue, died Friday at Shelby Convalescent Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of Lucy Fellows Crisp of Grover and the late Sidney Crisp. Her husband was the late Jackie Deal Hambright.

She was a member of Shiloh Presbyterian Church.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are two brothers, S.A. Crisp Jr. of Grover and Albert Crisp of Charlotte; and four sisters, Mary Rollins and Marjorie Crisp of Grover, Lucy Batts of Charlotte and Julia Crawley of Winston-Salem.

Graveside services were held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at Grover Cemetery. A memorial service was conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Shiloh Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Harold Hutchison.

Memorials may be made to Shiloh Presbyterian Church or the Grover Rescue Squad.

**GLADYS BLALOCK** Gladys Owens Black, 75, of 209 North City Street, Kings Mountain, died Saturday at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A Rutherfordton native, she was the daughter of the late Caleb and Nancy Philbeck Smart, and was a retired textile employee.

Her first husband was the late Buren Owens and her second husband was the late Bill Blalock.

She is survived by three sons, William C. Owens of Huntsville, Ala., Morris Blalock of Kings Mountain and Royce Blalock of Shelby; two daughters, Shirley Hamrick and Inez Yates of Kings Mountain; a brother, Odell Smart of Kings Mountain; a sister, Vertie Bowen of Kings Mountain; 13 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church by the Rev. Mitchell Pruitt. Burial was in Walls Baptist Church Cemetery in Rutherford County.

**INEZ BLANTON SHELBY** - Inez Stinchcomb Blanton, 55, of 1200 Meadowood Lane, died Monday at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

A Cleveland County native, she was the wife of the late Ed Doonie Blanton Jr. and the daughter of the late William Calvin and Alice Pirkle Stinchcomb.

She is survived by three sons, Donald Blanton of

**PRECINCT MEETINGS** Democratic precinct annual meetings will be held Thursday at 8 p.m. at all precinct polling places in Cleveland County.

**SIGNING LANGUAGE** Debbie Davis will begin a class in signing on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Second Baptist Church. Persons interested should call the church office at 739-4216.

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