

## MORROW

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nior citizens meet for their noon time meal at the Depot Center.

Mrs. Morrow has always been the type to keep busy. She was born and raised near the "Oil Mill" and began work at what is now Parkdale Mill at the age of 14. She recalled the mill was called Klotho when she began work there and through the years its name was changed to Mason, Mauney and Parkdale.

She raised her six children on Oak Street in the "Mill Hill" and now lives on Cansler Street in the house she and her husband purchased in 1966 "when the mill hill houses were torn down." She had to retire because of back problems in 1959 but she's never stopped working.

"When I first started working at the mill I made 50 cents a day," she recalled. "Then I got paid 25 cents a side and I got to where I could spin four sides and that came to a dollar a day."

When she married Franklin H. Morrow in 1926 she was making \$13.20 a week.

Her husband was still working third shift when they purchased their home on Cansler Street. Never one to watch TV (she says the only programs she watches are "The Guiding Light" and "People's Court") Mrs. Morrow kept busy planting flowers and shrubs.

There was only one plant in the yard when they moved there but it



**MORROW REUNION** - Nola Morrow is pictured with her children at reunion at Kings Mountain Depot Center. Left to right, Troy Lee, Dessie, Tommy, Mrs. Morrow, Clyde, Sue and Carvel.

soon became a showplace. "My husband worked at night and slept in the day, and it seemed like every time he mowed the lawn he'd find another plant to cut around," she said. Mrs. Morrow is especially fond of her orange rose bush which still gets compliments years after it was planted, and she also raises a lot of petunias, zinnias and impatiens.

"I love planting but I've gotten to where I can't dig much," she said. "The doctor said I can't do any digging but I raise a lot of flowers inside in little buckets. They don't have to be worked with a hoe."

Church, family and volunteering are Mrs. Morrow's priorities. She remains very active in First Baptist Church and about the only time she misses a meeting of the Senior Citizens at the Depot is when there is a conflict with a church activity.

She has four sons, Thomas, Troy Lee, Clyde and Carvel Morrow, and two daughters, Dessie Loflin of Kings Mountain and Sue Murphy of Troy, Ala. She has 19

grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

All of her children, 14 of the grandchildren and 22 of the great-grandchildren attended the fifth annual Smith-Morrow family reunion Sunday at the Depot Center. When the 67 people gathered for a family photograph in front of the Depot's fire place, the center was wall-to-wall with Smiths and Morrows.

The Depot was the appropriate setting for the reunion, which is held each year on the Sunday nearest Mrs. Morrow's birthday. Some of her most enjoyable moments have been at the Depot having fun with other seniors.

For over 20 years she said she was a "baby sitter" for elderly persons who had Alzheimer's or other complications which prevented them from serving themselves. The last person she looked after died recently and she said she has told Depot Center employees not to assign her another.

"I've slowed down a lot the past

six months," she noted. "I told them the next time one comes around to give them to someone else. I'm signing off."

But Mrs. Morrow still serves and fixes tea for the "handicapped

table" and said she will continue to do "little things like that when I don't have to bend or stoop. If Thelma (Hicks) is out of town, I don't take over her job but kind of supervise the upstairs part. If someone has a question they'll come and ask me about it. But I don't do any paper work at all. I don't see good enough for that."

Mrs. Morrow still serves as vice president of her Sunday School class at First Baptist and attends meetings of the Golden Fellowship--a senior citizens group--which meets monthly.

She continues to live alone and does her own cooking and house cleaning. She usually eats Sunday dinner with one of her children.

Mrs. Morrow was born October 28, 1906, the daughter of Samuel and Ida Jane Leagon Smith. She is the oldest of seven children. Her three brothers and one sister are deceased. Her surviving sisters are Linnie Mae Martin of Kings Mountain and Virginia Ford of Cramerton.

She has never driven a car and calls upon one of her children when she needs to go to the beauty shop or other places around town.

"I never could even drive a wheelbarrow without turning it over," she joked. "Now I'm glad I never learned to drive. If I had, I would miss it. You don't miss anything you never had."

## Dance Program See At Gaston

Wall St. Danceworks, an Asheville-based company of innovative dance artists, will present a program of contemporary dance and dance/theater works on Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Myers Center Auditorium of Gaston College.

The performance is sponsored by the Gaston County Public Library, Gaston County Schools, Community Arts Program/Gaston College and the United Arts Council of Gaston County.

Admission at the door is \$3. ArtsQuest season tickets will be honored for this event.

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## Religion

### Revival Set At Macedonia

Macedonia Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, will have fall revival services November 4-8 at 7 p.m. each evening.

Rev. Mike Minnix, pastor of First Baptist Church in Lilburn, Ga., and former pastor of First Baptist Church in Cherryville, will be the guest speaker.

There will be a special emphasis each night and a nursery will be provided.

Rev. David Philbeck invites the public.

### Benefit Gospel Singing Slated

A benefit gospel singing for Reggie White will be held Saturday at 7 p.m. at Wayside Church of the Living God, Long Branch Road, Kings Mountain.

Featured groups include the Allen Family of Kings Mountain, the Gospel Notes of Lattimore and the McLeymore Family of Kings Mountain.

Reggie White is a Kings

Mountain native and former bass singer for several gospel quartets. He has been out of work for over a year and has been hospitalized at hospitals in Durham and Winston-Salem. He has a wife and three sons.

Rev. Cliff Morgan, pastor, invites the public.

### Boyce Memorial Cookbook On Sale

A new cookbook is here, just in time for gift giving.

The YPCU of Boyce Memorial ARP Church has an all new cookbook just off the press. The name of the book is "We Present to You--Recipes from Boyce Memorial ARP Church."

The cost is \$9 and the cookbook may be purchased from the church office, Allen's Flower Shop, Phifer Hardware, McGill's Exxon and from YPCU members.

### Special Services By PCUSA Group

The fall series of special services for area Presbyterian Churches will continue Sunday night at 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Kings

Mountain.

Rev. Allan Sinclair, pastor of Dixon Presbyterian Church, will deliver the message. Refreshments will be served following the service in the church fellowship hall.

The series will end Sunday night, November 11 at 7 p.m. at Dixon Presbyterian Church. Rev. State Alexander, pastor of Good Hope Presbyterian Church, will be the speaker.

The public is invited to both services.

### Revival Set At East Gold

Revival services will be conducted November 4-8 at East Gold Street Wesleyan Church.

Sunday services will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Monday through Thursday services will be at 7 p.m. A nursery will be provided.

There will be special singing by the church choir and church members during each service.

Rev. Edwin Chrisco, former pastor at East Gold, will be the guest speaker.

Rev. George Simmons, pastor, invites the public.

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