

Obituaries

CORA N. COLEY

GASTONIA - Mrs. Cora Neagle Coley, 93, of 1103 Holly Drive, Gastonia, died Tuesday, May 10, 1994 at Gaston Memorial Hospital. A native of Belmont, she was the daughter of the late Andrew and Eugenia Mulwee Neagle, and wife of the late Ivey Franklin Coley. She was a retired textile worker, having worked at Clara Mill for 30 years.

She is survived by a son, Fred Clinton Coley of Inman, SC; three daughters, Mrs. Dorothy C. LeMaster of Bessemer City, Mrs. Meldonia C. Dameron of Blowing Rock, and Mrs. Maxine C. Bradshaw of Gastonia; a brother, Everett Neagle of Belmont; a sister, Mrs. Margaret N. Beatty of Gastonia; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Tom Hogan Friday at 11 a.m. at Hollywood Cemetery in Gastonia.

Memorials may be made to Hospice, P.O. Box 3984, Gastonia, NC 28053; or East Baptist Church, 114 N. Church Street, Gastonia, NC 28054.

RUTH L. WALL

GATLINBURG, TN - Ruth Laughridge Wall, 83, of Reagan Dr., died May 17, 1994.

A native of Shelby, she was wife of Zeno Wall Jr. and a retired school teacher. She was daughter of the late Roger and Winnie Baber Laughridge.

She was a graduate of Shelby High School and Queens College in Charlotte.

Also surviving are one son, Zeno Wall III of Denver, CO; two daughters, Zee Bacon of Steamboat Springs, CO, Winnie Budniak of Louisville, KY and Walter Laughridge of Shelby; one sister, Mildred Holland of Shelby; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be set for a later date.

JUSTIN LOFTIN

Justin Loftin, infant son of Charles and Linda Cadenhead Loftin of 122 Center Street, Kings Mountain, died May 15, 1994 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

He was the grandson of Emma Hudgins Loftin of Kings Mountain and the late Fred Loftin, and Mildred Thrift Cadenhead of Kings Mountain and the late Charles Cadenhead. He was the great-grandson of Mrs. Lillie Hudgins of Clover, SC, and Jerry Pittman and Louella Jones Thrift of Shelby.

He is also survived by his brothers, Chuck and Jeff Loftin of the home.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. James Mooney Monday at 3 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

GERALD D. MESSER SR.

Gerald Dean Messer Sr., 59, of Route 1, Crowders Creek Road, Kings Mountain, died May 15, 1994 at Gaston Memorial Hospital in Gastonia.

A native of Cherokee County, SC, he was a retired textile printer for Blue Devil Textiles in Gastonia. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was the son of Dovie Sprouse Messer and the late Robert B. Messer.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Carolyn Talbert Messer of the home; a son, Gerald Dean Messer Jr. of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Windy Anderson of Clover, SC and Mrs. Lisa Flowers of Bessemer City; four brothers, Rev. Daniel Messer of Cherryville, Kenneth Messer and Harvey Messer of Clover, SC, and Roy Messer of Shelby; two sisters, Mrs. Betty Munsey of Clover, SC, and Mrs. Joan McCluney of Gastonia; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at M.L. Ford & Sons Funeral Home Chapel in Clover, SC. Interment was in Lakeview Memorial Gardens, York, SC.

AUSTIN REESE

Austin James Reese, infant son of Wayne Charles and Dianne Elaine Bolin Reese of 195 Sunny Side Shady Rest Road, Kings Mountain, died May 13, 1994 at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte.

Other survivors are his paternal grandparents, James and Ruth Hodge Reese of Gastonia; maternal grandparents, S.A. and Margie Bolin Blanton of Kings Mountain; paternal great-grandmother, Callie Reese of Gastonia; maternal great-grandmother, Mattie Bolin of Kings Mountain; brothers, Benjamin Wayne Reese and Jordan Wayne Reese of the home; and a sister, Dana Nicool Reese of the home.

A graveside service was conducted by Dr. James Ellis Sunday at 4 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

BETTY B. BARNETT

Betty Breakfield Barnett, 63, of 213 Bell Road, Kings Mountain, died May 15, 1994 at her home.

A native of Gastonia, she was the daughter of the late Clyde and Emma Lynch Breakfield, and wife of the late Timmons Clifford Barnett Jr. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by three daughters, Sandy Chalson of Gastonia, Lynn Kwolek of Middleton, CT, and Pam Martin of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Danny Bowen of Smyrna, SC, and Bill Breakfield of Dallas; three sisters, Florence Sipes and Alice Rote of Kings Mountain and Sue Carroll of Blacksburg, SC; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Lynard Johnson Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home. Burial was in Bessemer City Memorial Park.

MACIE L. JENKINS

Macie Lockridge Jenkins, 83, of 913 Woodside Drive, Kings Mountain, died May 12, 1994 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Clover, SC, she was the daughter of the late William and Minnie Lockridge. She was a retired textile worker and a member of First Wesleyan Church, where she served as church organist for 74 years.

She is survived by her husband, Luco Jenkins; and her son, Dr. William Jenkins of Walhalla, SC.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Mark Bardsley Saturday at 2 p.m. at First Wesleyan Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Wesleyan Church, 505 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

SERVICE

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Renee Baker, Sidney Sloan Bridges, Grant David Campbell, Richard Selinger Clary, Jeffrey Alan Cook, Holly Marie Hollifield, Michael David Humphries, Clint Lawson Miller Kale, Erica Heather Randle, Kimberly Dianne Sparrow, and Cynthia Ann Ware.

BRIDGES

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were approved by both the mayor and mayor pro tem.

Bridges said that any purchases had to be approved by City Council and she had checked the minutes and found no record of their prior approval.

Bridges said Tuesday she planned to continue to monitor emergency spending since a freeze in both hiring and spending is in effect until July 1.

"What's fair for one employee should be fair for all," said Bridges.

Under the city's Council/City Manager form of government the city manager is the chief executive officer of the city and in his or her position has the authority to hire and fire and oversee a staff of 160 plus people. The authority also includes preparation of the city budget which must be on the table for public review by June 1 and approved, under law, by June 30.

Council's interview process schedule calls for semi or final interviews of candidates for city manager to be concluded on June 3 and 4.

The mayor has indicated the new manager could be on the job by July 1.

MYRICK

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Years ago Myrick was on the leading edge of combating the current crime wave, leading anti-drug marches, holding state-wide and anti-drug conferences and calling for drug testing. She suggested that closed military bases be used as boot camps and prisons and pushed for double times for crimes against children and the elderly and abolishment of "good time" parole.

As Charlotte's mayor in 1987-89 and at-large member of Charlotte Council from 1983-85, she led the

At Council's direction one person's job was cut due to budget cuts, one employee was transferred to another department and no vacant positions were filled.

The 77-year-old employee who lost his job in the water/sewer department has asked City Council to waive the policy which gives city employees full benefits after 20 years. He has been with the city 18 1/2 years and wants his supplementary and dependent insurance coverage to continue.

No formal grievances have been filed.

Bridges said that one employee of the finance department has asked City Council to return her to her former position. The woman was filling some of the duties of former Assistant Finance Director Parsons since the resignation of Finance Director Jeff Rosencrans with an eye to promotion. Last week, however, Council indicated it would not fill the position of Assistant, since that would have been more money allocated in the budget.

"I think all our employees would feel more secure if Council can get on with the budget and get back to normal," said Bridges.

"I don't know about the other members of the board but I'm getting a lot of calls."

way in land negotiations for the NFL stadium which will be home to the Carolina Panthers. She spearheaded a \$100 million road improvements package with no tax increase, got the outerbelt under way and secured funding for airport expansion. She initiated an efficiency study of government that led to numerous cost savings, including a spending cap. She was successful in preventing a property tax increase in funding the new Charlotte convention center which will have an economic impact of almost a billion dollars for this region and provide over 6,000 new jobs.

BUDGET

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Superintendent Jimmy Maney had offered to possibly cut two positions and also to reorganize the gas and electric departments but that the idea has been scrapped.

Parsons recommended and Council concurred that a clerk position be retained at City Hall instead of the Assistant Finance Director's position which she held before Finance Director Jeff Rosencrans resigned.

LEAVES

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24 citizens who are in violation in an area he described as "all over the city."

Household garbage is picked up twice a week but roadside trash is picked up only once a week from 6:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Moss said the recent hiring

freeze has affected all departments of the city. Public Works is not hiring any extra helpers and is postponing until late summer its plans to paint the streets.

Moss said the biggest project now for the Grounds and Maintenance department is the refurbishing of Deal Street Pool. Sandblasting, removal of old paint, concrete work and painting of the pool was underway this week.

Kings Mountain Weather Report

(Compiled by Kenneth Kitzmiller)

	May 4-17	Last Year
Total precipitation	.61	1.81
Maximum one day	.25 (14)	1.28 (4)
Year to date	19.96	26.75
Minimum temperature	48 (17)	51 (13)
Maximum temperature	84 (16)	87 (6, 7, 10, 17)
Average temperature	63.1	69.2

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