

Obituaries

CAROLYN B. CLARK SHELBY - Carolyn Bennett Clark, 62, of 707 Sanders Rd., died August 22, 1994 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

She was the wife of William Aubrey Clark and the daughter of the late Volney and Mary Davis Bennett. She was a homemaker and a member of Mulls Memorial Baptist Church.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are two sons, Stephen Aubrey Clark and Gary Dale Clark of Shelby; one daughter, Sheila Jean Swift of Charlotte; four brothers, Alvin Bennett of Spindale, Roy Bennett of Winston-Salem, Baxter Bennett of Rutherfordton and Henry Bennett of Virginia; two sisters, Edith Elliott of Polk County, Dorothy Brown of Rutherfordton; four grandchildren, Selina Ellen Clark, Tracy Lynn Clark, Shaun Wendall Swift and Thad Aubrey Clark; and one great-grandchild, Christopher Clark. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Vickie Lynn Clark and two sisters, Ellen Poteat Nodine and Katie Bennett.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. at Mulls Memorial Baptist Church by Rev. Ervin Price. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mulls Memorial Baptist Church, 3299 Fallston Rd., Shelby, 28150.

Carolina State University, Rhyne was called into active duty with the Army in February 1942. He served for three years and three months overseas in the African and European Theaters during World War II.

While in North Africa, he served as port quartermaster in Suez and in Alexandria, Egypt. He helped establish Air Transport Command depots for the China-Burma-India supply route and was quartermaster for the Armed Forces in the Middle East. After the war in Europe was ended, he operated a staging area in Casablanca, Morocco for troops returning to the United States. He held the Legion of Merit and Army Commendations medals for this service.

In 1948 following his discharge from active duty, Rhyne helped organize Alamance County's first Army Reserve Unit, the 3278th Civil Affairs Group. He served for 10 years as the commanding officer and was the last surviving original member of this reserve unit. Colonel Rhyne retired in September 1965 from the Army Reserves after 31 years and three months of active and reserve service.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one daughter, Janet Rhyne Andrews of Graham; son-in-law, Dennis Gilmore Andrews of Graham; one sister, Mrs. A.T. Dellinger of Kings Mountain; and three grandsons, Rhyne Ellington, Neal Andrews and Chase Andrews, all of Graham.

The graveside service was conducted Friday at 2 p.m. at Graham Memorial Park with full military honors. Dr. Ralph E. Jones Jr. and Dr. William C. Weckerly officiated.

Memorials may be made to The Rhyne Memorial Fund for the Arts and History of Alamance County, in care of Mrs. Elizabeth Culp, 203 Home Avenue, Graham, 27253 or Hospice of Alamance/Caswell, 317 N. Graham Hopedale Rd., Burlington, 27217.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ross C. Lefevres would like to thank all of our friends and neighbors for their support during our time of sorrow. A special thanks to the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad.

Family of Ross C. Lefevres

Senior programs to receive grant

Carolyn Bell, Activities Director at Kings Mountain Senior Center, has announced that the N. C. Senior Citizens Federation Inc. has received a second year grant from the N. C. Department of Human Resources, Office of Economic Opportunity, to continue its statewide outreach effort in assisting potentially eligible senior applicants in applying for public entitlement benefits.

Since inception, the Federation's efforts have been aimed at promoting self-reliance among the elderly poor. This statewide effort has become a part of the agency's life-long efforts, according to Bell.

Bell said that state and local

government providers of services and benefits like the Kings Mountain Senior Center, along with volunteers, will play significant roles in the statewide effort. Bell said volunteers will be recruited to serve as community advocates, screening and assisting potential benefit recipients in applying for entitlements. State and local service providers will be used to provide in-service training for eligibility and application processes, as well as sensitivity training to community advocates.

Bell said the focused public benefits include, but are not limited, to

Supplemental Security Income qualified Medicare beneficiaries Medicaid and Food Stamps. The national call for SSI outreach North Carolina Governor's Medicaid Expansion Bill and the General Accounting Office Report on Food Stamps were all determining factors in triggering the Federation's response toward outreach to the potentially eligible beneficiaries.

For additional program and volunteer information, contact Julius Fritz, Program Coordinator, in Henderson at 919-492-6031 or statewide 1-800-451-5166.

Celebration set Sept. 3 in Grover

GROVER - The town is gearing up for a pre-Labor Day celebration Saturday, September 3, at Municipal Park.

Grover Woman's Club is sponsoring the fun day which begins at 11 a.m. and will be topped off with a street dance at 6 p.m. in front of Grover Industries.

Entertainment will feature train rides around the walking track, putt-putt, a dunking booth, concessions and Grover t-shirts imprinted with the town logo, "Where the Carolinas Begin."

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HARVEY LEE RUPPE

Harvey Lee Ruppe, 62, of 1305 W. Gold St., Ext., Kings Mountain, died August 21, 1994 at his home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Paul Lee and Ethel Mae Allison Ruppe, and husband of the late Maxine Dulin Ruppe. He was employed by Dixie Yarn Pinkney Plant in Gastonia.

He is survived by two sons, Vernon Lee Ruppe of Smyrna, SC and Charles Keith Ruppe of Kings Mountain; two stepsons, Jack Dulin and Bobby Dulin of Clover, SC; two daughters, Janet Loretta White and Melba Juanita Ruppe of Clover, SC; two stepdaughters, Linda Dulin of Clover, SC and Stacy Calhoun of Belmont; two brothers, Bobby Dean Ruppe of Holden Beach and William Oren Ruppe of Gaffney, SC; three sisters, Barbara Jean Hardin of Mt. Holly and Flora Mae Ruppe and Frances Ruppe Morton of Kings Mountain; 16 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Larry Burns Tuesday at 4 p.m. at Faith Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

M.A. RHYNE

GRAHAM - Myron Alexander Rhyne, 82, of 211 E. Parker St., died August 17, 1994 at 5:55 a.m. at The Hospice Home of Alamance/Caswell following several months of declining health.

A native of Kings Mountain, he was the husband of Sarah Hambright Rhyne and the son of the late Claude Quincy and Cora Long Rhyne.

He retired in January 1981 after almost 40 years in the textile business as Vice-President and Director of Operations for Cannon Mills Decorative Fabrics Division. He was in charge of Plants No. 6 in Concord and No. 14 in Graham, with the combined operations including seven mills. He was elected a Cannon Vice-President in 1972.

Graham's Mayor for 24 years, he served as a member of the Graham City Council for over a quarter of a century. He was elected to the city council four years before becoming mayor in 1958 and served until 1981 when he chose not to seek reelection. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the N. C. League of Municipalities from 1975-77.

Rhyne served on the initial Board of Directors of the Technical College of Alamance (Alamance Community College) and continued to serve as trustee until August 1984.

Rhyne's service to the community also included a 29-year tenure as a member of the Board of Trustees of Alamance Memorial Hospital. He served as chairman of the board from 1959-63, leading the efforts in site selection, fund raising and construction of Alamance Memorial Hospital which was dedicated on December 7, 1961.

He had been a member of the Board of Trustees of May Memorial Library, a member of the board of directors of First Union National Bank and The Bank of Alamance. He also had been a longtime member of Macedonia Lutheran Church in Burlington.

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