

Obituaries

HARRY ROBERTS JR.

Harry Martin Roberts Jr., 73, 811 Margrace Rd., died June 20, 1995 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Gaston County, he was a retired radiator and glass company owner, a member of Midview Baptist Church and a veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Myrtle Page Roberts; three sons, Ronny, Benny and Vaughn Roberts, all of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Gene Roberts of Greenville, SC and Paul Roberts of York, SC; and four great-grandchildren. A daughter, Judy Mitchem, died in 1993.

The funeral was conducted June 23, 1995 at 2 p.m. at Midview Baptist Church. Rev. Bob Hope officiated. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

MARY TIDWELL

SHARON, SC - Mary Wilma Tidwell, 83, 1063 Highway 97, died June 24, 1995 at her home.

A native of York County, she was the daughter of the late Thomas David and Mary Salena Wilson Alexander, and wife of the late Evan Tidwell. She was a homemaker and a member of El Bethel United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain.

She is survived by her son, Tommy Jack Tidwell of Kings Mountain; her daughter, Dolly Tidwell Davidson of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Fred Alexander of Clover and Tommy Alexander of Kings Mountain; a sister, Vera Hinson of Sharon; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. David Greene Monday at 2 p.m. at El Bethel United Methodist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

HELEN JENKINS

GASTONIA - Helen Colleen Moore Jenkins, 70, 2659 Providence Drive, died June 23, 1995 at White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain.

A native of Preble County, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Russell Moore and Zelma Sample Moore Thompson. She was employed as Fulfillment Clerk for McCall's Printing Company in Dayton, Ohio, and she was a member of Parkwood Baptist Church where she was a member of the Cunningham Ladies' Sunday School Class.

She is survived by her husband, Earl Love Jenkins; a number of nieces and nephews; two sisters, Doris Zehler of Hamilton, Ohio, and Loretta Wilson of Lincoln, Mass.; half-brother, Don Moore of Palatka, Fla.; and her step-father, Shelton Thompson of Hamilton, Ohio.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Ned Mathews Monday at 2 p.m. at Parkwood Baptist Church. Burial was in Bessemer City Memorial Cemetery. Pallbearers were Ronald, Harold and Charlie Puckett, and Joe, Doug and Mack Jenkins.

Memorials may be made to Parkwood Baptist Church, 1729 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia, NC 28054.

GEORGE F. WARE

CHARLOTTE - George F. Ware, 83, 1727 Oak Street, died June 23, 1995 at Presbyterian Hospital.

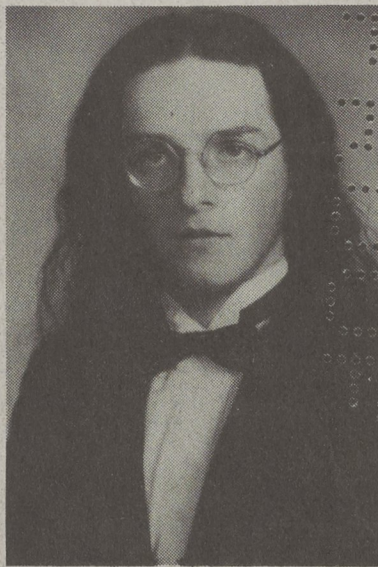
A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late John Fletcher and Ursula Ware Ware. He was a resident of Kings Mountain for 25 years and was retired from the North Carolina Department of Transportation. He was a member of Central United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain, and Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, Kings Mountain. He served in one of the last horse cavalry units of the U.S. Army in World War II.

He was preceded in death by his son, Eric Ware, in 1976.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Parker Ware of Charlotte; a brother, Belvin Ware of Easley, SC; and two sisters, Ruby W. Dixon of Shelby and Margaret Wrape of Burlington.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Harold Schwantes Sunday at 3 p.m. at El Bethel United Methodist Church Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to Central United Methodist Church, 113 S. Piedmont Avenue, Kings Mountain; El Bethel United Methodist Church, El Bethel Church Road, Kings Mountain; or St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 3601 Central Avenue, Charlotte.



LEROY WHITWORTH

Grover Youth electrocuted at lake

GROVER - Jayson Flay "Leroy" Whitworth, 17, of 2468 Brookfield Dr., had planned his Fourth of July vacation camping at Moss Lake.

Monday at 8:50 p.m. the 1995 graduate of Crest High School was accidentally electrocuted as he ran a drop cord from 110 Linden Drive to the camper he was putting up on the upper side of the lake.

"He was standing barefeet in water and wet mud with no shirt on," said Coroner Ralph Mitchem.

"The high charge of electricity killed the boy instantly."

Paramedics were called to the scene and the boy was transported

to Cleveland Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Whitworth's special project was the Windjammers Toy Run for abused kids in Cleveland County and he participated each year.

He was the son of Randy Flay and Donna L. Whitworth of Grover and Faye and Dennis Peeler of Fallston.

Also surviving are one brother, Sean Whitworth of Shelby; one step-brother, Kevin Mertz of Grover; three step-sisters, Dawn Mertz of Grover, Wendy Peeler of Shelby and Lee Ann Peeler of

Lawndale; his grandparents, Floyd and Juanita Whitworth of Grover and James and Joyce Dover of Shelby; his great-grandmother, Carrie Philbeck of Shelby; and two special cousins, Paul Michael Benton of Shelby and Haley Neal of Grover.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. at Allen Memorial Baptist Church. Rev. Norris Willis, Rev. Ed Brown and Rev. Doug Love will officiate. Burial will be in Grover Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Children's Homes of Cleveland County, PO Box 2053, Shelby, 28150.

Death still under investigation

County and state investigators are continuing to investigate the stabbing death of Charleen Simons, 50, who was found dead early Wednesday morning at The Log Cabin, a club she operated in her home on S. Battleground Avenue in Kings Mountain.

The fully-clothed body of the woman was found in a chair behind the bar by a passerby who entered the club shortly after midnight last Tuesday night.

Results of an autopsy conducted Wednesday at Gaston Memorial Hospital revealed that the woman died of stab wounds.

Investigators were on the scene several days last week and the area is still roped off with yellow police markings.

Neighbors at the scene of the tragedy called Simons a friendly person and a woman who was well liked.

Simons had lived at the residence and operated the club for several years.

Several people at the scene Wednesday said they bought beer at the club and listened to music at the establishment on the weekends. A band member said Simons

reported a break-in several weeks ago.

The club is located outside the Kings Mountain city limits in dry Cleveland County in the city's one mile perimeter area, a short distance from convenience stores which have been satellite annexed by the city.

Surviving are one son, Robert MacLeod of Shelby; two daughters, Wendy Walls and Miley Henderson, both of Shelby; one brother, Robert Darling of California; two sisters, Sharon Chappel and Laura Vidal, both of Michigan; and three grandchildren.

Stop The Killing vigil set Friday

A "Stop the Killing" candlelight vigil will be held Friday at 7 p.m. at Pine Manor Apartments in Kings Mountain.

James Barnette, crusade director, said that he will place the names of victims of violence on a wall in front of the housing complex and a candle will be lit for each victim.

Last year Barnette put up the names of 12 people who have died of violence in Kings Mountain during the period 1989-1993.

The memorial wall is located at the Resource Center of the housing complex on Charles Avenue.

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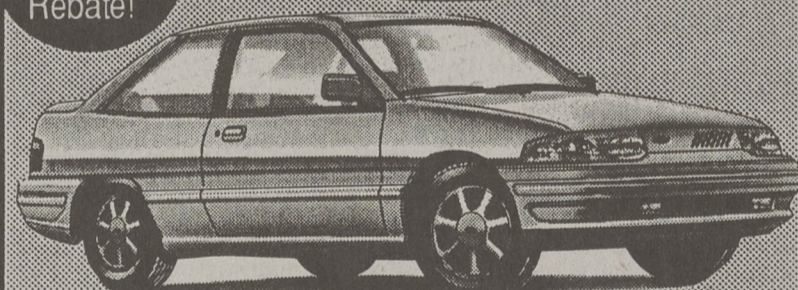
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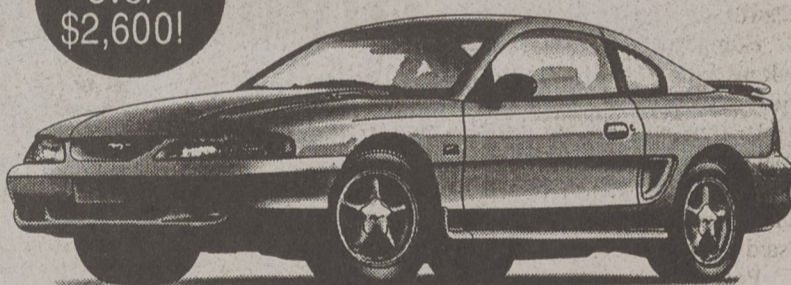


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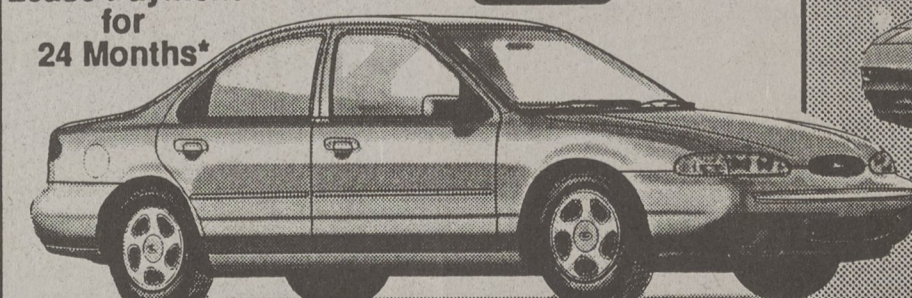
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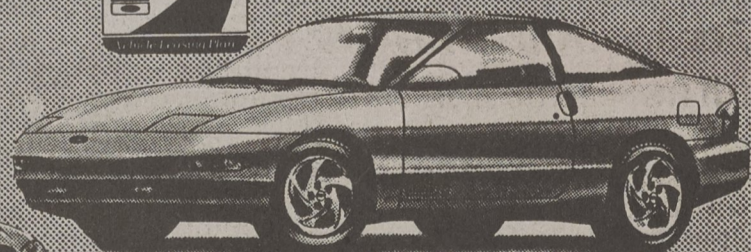
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