

**Obituaries**

**BONNIE S. KING**

Bonnie Smith King, 73, 818 Church Street, Kings Mountain, died August 31, 1995 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late Bennett Alexander and Bessie Gantt Smith. She was the wife of the late Edgar W. King Sr.

She was a member, secretary and organist at Pioneer Baptist Church in Richmond, Va. for 30 years.

She is survived by her son, Edgar W. King Jr. of Sandstone, Va.; three brothers, Bobby Smith of Kings Mountain, B.A. Smith of Spruce Pine, and Roy Smith of Baltimore, MD; and one grandchild.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Patricia Stone Saturday at 3 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

**JACK BLANTON**

Edward Darvin "Jack" Blanton, 82, 424 Gold Street, Shelby, died September 2, 1995 at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late Edgar Wooley and Florence Thomas Blanton. He was retired from Baxter Corp. and was a member of Central Methodist Church, Shelby.

He is survived by his wife, Lillie "Billie" Kennedy Blanton of Shelby; a son, Ed Blanton of Charleston, SC; two daughters, Patsy Ledford of Shelby and Jackie Wilson of Pineville; a brother, Bill Blanton of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Verla Henderson of Palm Coast, Fla.; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. T. Paul Starnes Jr. and Dr. Tom Herin Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Central Methodist Church, Shelby. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

**TOMMIE YARBROUGH**

GASTONIA - Tommie Bob Yarbrough, 79, 2730 Gaston Day School Road, died September 5, 1995 at Brian Nursing Center.

A native of Charlotte, he was the son of the late John Wesley and Ada Trull Yarbrough. He was former President and founder of Maple Leaf Steel Company of Kings Mountain and A&T Construction of Jeff, KY. He was a member of Temple Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

He is survived by two sons, Robert Yarbrough of Gastonia and Dale Yarbrough of Boise, Idaho; two daughters, Jane Morehead of Rockingham and Mary Wheeler of Kings Mountain; a brother, Richard Yarbrough of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Callie Campbell of Greenville, SC and Hettie Jones of Mt. Holly; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, John Yarbrough.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Robert Haynes and Jack Weaver Saturday at 2 p.m. at Temple Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

**LEONARD**

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way to serve to their families. Denise makes each person feel important, says another resident.

Leonard says she doesn't mind calling on outside resources to help. Recently, she engaged a psychologist from Cleveland Center to come to the Center to do counseling on site and eliminate a transportation problem for the families to go to Shelby. Social Services representatives comes to the facility once a week.

"A lot of good things are happening at Pine Manor and there are some good people here who don't deserve some of the negative reputation in the past," said the Kings Mountain native.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hord Jr., Denise is a 1976 graduate of Kings Mountain High School. She volunteered for many years at the KM Community Center for the City of Kings Mountain Recreation Department before she went on staff for six years as program director, acting center director and served numerous other duties.

Married to Preston Leonard, she has three children: Cameron Falls is a senior at Kings Mountain High School; Liza Falls is a 10th grader at KMHS; and Tyler Falls is a seventh grader at the Middle School. She enjoys family activities and is a big booster of her children's school and First Baptist Church activities.

Leonard's trademark is giving each person she sees a hug.

Good things are happening at Pine Manor and Leonard is glad to be part of the action.

**Church Briefs**

**St. Matthews to install teaching staff**

During the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday morning at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 200 North Piedmont Avenue, the entire teaching staff will be installed into their areas of responsibilities.

The Sunday School staff includes:

Preschool - Priscilla Mauney, Myrtle Christenson; elementary, Janet Suber, Sara Simpson; middle school, Joni Smith, Geeper Howard, Rev. Dougherty; high school, Geeper Howard, Emily Suber, Glenda Colburn, Camiel Bradshaw; adults, Lynne Mauney, Jeff Mauney, Milt Colburn, Camiel Bradshaw, Mary Louise Baker, Otis Falls.

The Saint Matthew's preschool staff will also be installed. The staff includes:

Director - Nancy Smith; assistant, Sylvia Bridges; three-year-old classes, Sheila Ledford and Lisa Howell; four-year-old classes, Ina Blanton, Denise Cramer and Lisa Howell.

The Sunday Church School of Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church has been teaching children and adults for well over 100 years. The Saint Matthew's Preschool program has been in service to the community for over 20 years and has an enrollment of 48.

**No excuse Sunday at First Wesleyan**

Kings Mountain First Wesleyan Church, 505 North Piedmont Avenue, will have a "No Excuse Sunday" Sunday, September 10.

The service will begin at 9:45 a.m. with inspiring music and a presentation by the First Wesleyan Church puppet ministry.

"You'll have to come early to get a back seat," said Rev. Don Williams, pastor. "The public is invited to help us show everyone that God is a big deal."

**Cherokee Baptist to hold yard sale**

Cherokee Street Baptist Church will hold a yard sale and sell ham and sausage biscuits Saturday, September 9 beginning at 7 a.m.

**Homecoming Sunday at Piedmont Baptist**

Homecoming will be held Sunday at Piedmont Baptist Church, Benfield Road, Kings Mountain.

Guest speaker will be Rev. James Greene, former pastor. Dinner will follow.

**Homecoming set at Faith Baptist**

Homecoming will be held Sunday, September 10 at Faith Baptist Church, 1009 Linwood Road, Kings Mountain.

Rev. Bob Hicklin will preach at the 11 a.m. service. A covered dish lunch will be spread at 12:30 p.m. and a concert featuring "Cross Reference" will begin at 2 p.m. The public is invited.

**Homecoming Sunday at Westover Baptist**

Westover Baptist Church will celebrate homecoming Sunday, Sept. 10. A special guest speaker will lead Sunday School at 10 a.m.

The worship service will include special music and recognition of special guests. A covered dish lunch will follow the worship service.

P.L. Summitt will lead a singing service at 2 p.m. The public is invited.

For more information, call Rev. Joe Steadman at 734-1364.

**Revival scheduled at Gastonia church**

Revival will be held September 11-16 at 7 p.m. nightly at Faith Interdenominational Church, Old York Road, Gastonia.

Guest speakers will be the Revs. James Herring of Kings Mountain and Boe Huffstickler of Gastonia.

For more information, call 484-0530 or 867-2645.

**Gospel sing set at Allen Memorial**

There will be a gospel singing

September 10 at 7 p.m. at Allen Memorial Baptist Church, Long Branch Road, Grover.

Feature group will be The Eubanks of Forest City. The public is invited.

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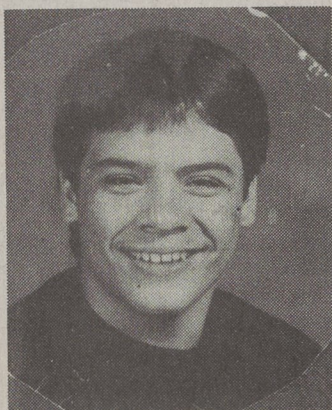
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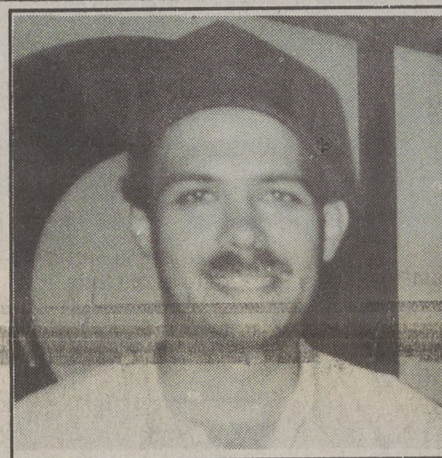
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