

Obituaries

DR. R. N. BAKER

Dr. Robert N. Baker, 79, retired Kings Mountain dentist who practiced dentistry in Kings Mountain for 47 years, died October 29, 1995 at home.

A native of Kings Mountain, he was the son of the late Luther Phillip and Mary Tipton Polyette Baker.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club.

Baker served on active duty as a Lieutenant with the Public Health Service during World War II.

He was married to Mary Louise Gehring Baker.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one brother, Dr. Thomas Baker of Kings Mountain; and one sister, Peggy Baker Fulford of Knoxville, TN.

The funeral was conducted November 1, 1995 at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. Rev. James Dougherty officiated and burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 201 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, 28086, or to the A. L. A. Society, 21022 Ventura Blvd., Suite 321, Woodland, CA, 91346, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

CLAYTON PUTNAM

Clayton Cline Putnam, 82, of Waco, died October 29, 1995 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was a retired secretary at Elizabeth School in Shelby and a member of Waco Baptist Church. She was twice married: to the late Jessie Lee Hord Jr. and the late Marvin H. Putnam.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Janet Tate of Kings Mountain; one step-daughter, Mrs. Sybil P. Hutchinson of Waco; three brothers, Edwin Cline of Waco and John D. Cline and Ambrose Cline, both of Shelby; six grandchildren, Thomas Tate Jr., Mrs. Jane T. Williams, Roxanne Tate, Dexter C. Tate, Cindy Hord Cook and Marvin P. Hutchinson; and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted October 31, 1995 at 11 a.m. at Waco Baptist Church. Rev. Royce Ballew and Rev. Cline Borders officiated. Burial was in Elizabeth Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cleveland Home Health Care, 1268 Fallston Rd., Shelby, 28150 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

GLADYS B. WRIGHT

Gladys Blalock Wright, 86, of 311 Cleveland Ave., Grover, wife of Beck Wright, died October 28, 1995 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital in Shelby.

A native of Cleveland County, she was a homemaker and the daughter of the late John P. and Lottie Randle Blalock.

She was a member of Grover First Baptist Church.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are one son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Brenda Wright of Gastonia; one daughter and son-in-law, Cynthia and Jim White of Rock Hill, SC; and three grandchildren, Angela and Kristen Wright and Ginger White.

The graveside service was conducted October 30, 1995 at 3 p.m. at Bethlehem Baptist Church by Rev. John Bridges.

Memorials may be made to Sound System Fund, in care of First Baptist Church, Box 237, Grover, 28073.

JOSEPH A. HOUSER

TUCSON, AZ. - Joseph Aaron Houser, 81, 1111 E. Limberlost Drive, died October 25. The funeral was held October 28 in Tucson.

A Kings Mountain native, he was the son of the late Marvin Lowrance and Edna Rhyne Houser.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Duckett Houser of Tucson; a son, Joseph C. Houser of Pleasanton, Calif.; daughters, Joanne Byrne, Lake Tahoe, Nev. and Anita Neal of Tucson; brother, M.L. Houser of Goldsboro; and sisters, Viola Stokes of Asheville and Edna Ruth Saunders of Kings Mountain.

WILLIAM T. LITTLE

William Thomas "Bill" Little, 57, 1300 Gold Street, Kings Mountain, formerly of Oakboro, died October 26, 1995 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A Stanly County native, he was the son of Julia Blanche Thomas Little Blake of Oakboro and the late Roy Newsom Little. He was owner of Crown Yarn Processors of Cherryville and was a U.S. Navy veteran.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by two sons, William Clint Little of Oakboro and Roy Dean Little of Albemarle; a brother, Steven Douglas Little of Oakboro; a sister, Mrs. Betty L. Huneycutt of Oakboro; and one step-grandson.

The funeral was conducted Friday at Hartsell Funerary Home/Lefler Memorial Chapel.

Burial, with full military rites by Stanly County DAV, was in Oakboro Cemetery.

WAYNE SMITH

Wayne Smith, 51, formerly of Kings Mountain, died October 24, 1995 in the Rutherfordton Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Roy L. and Julia Sellers Smith of Kings Mountain and was a member of Gilkey United Methodist Church in Rutherfordton.

Surviving are his adoptive mother, Mrs. Gwen Smith; two brothers, Rev. Dean Smith of Rutherfordton and Pete Smith of Blacksburg, SC.

The funeral was conducted October 26, 1995 at Gilkey United Methodist Church by Rev. Frank Gordon and Rev. Dean Smith. The graveside service was at 3 p.m. in Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

RUTH H. McDANIEL

Ruth Houser McDaniel, 88, of 607 Crescent Circle, died October 24, 1995.

A native of Cleveland County, she was a homemaker and wife of Fred A. "Hap" McDaniel Sr. She was daughter of the late Charles John and Mary Elizabeth Anthony Houser and was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are one son, Fred A. McDaniel Jr. of Tega Cay, SC; one daughter, Carolyn Reed of Kings Mountain; three grandchildren, Sherri Brown of Charlotte, Dr. Charles Reed of Hickory and Dr. John Reed of Concord; four great-grandchildren; and one sister, Sarah Hamrick of Shelby. The graveside service was conducted October 27, 1995 at Mountain Rest Cemetery by Dr. Richard Newsome.

Memorials may be made to the Arnette-Cranford Scholarship Fund at First Presbyterian Church, PO Box 1188, Kings Mountain, 28086 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

ROBERT J. DUNKLE

Robert J. Dunkle, 66, of 112 Croft Dr., died October 24, 1995 at 1:30 a.m. in Gaston Memorial Hospital after an extended illness.

A native of New Castle, Pa., he was the son of Helen Davis Dunkle and was married to Beverly Lundy Dunkle. He was a member of the Geneva Methodist Church in Geneva, Ohio and a veteran of the Korean Conflict. He was a member of New Castle Lodge AF&AM and

the Bessemer City American Legion. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are four daughters, Debra Sue Rembacki and Nancy Lavaughn Hoff, both of Geneva, Ohio, Bobbi Jo Hudson of Emporia, Kansas and Dawn Elaine Perry of Astabula Harbor, Ohio; three sisters, Dorothy French of New Castle, Pa., Darlene Cochran of Sunnyvale, Calif and Janet Ledbetter of Seymour, Ind.; two brothers, William Dunkle of New Castle, Pa. and Donald Dunkle of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and 11 grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted October 28, 1995 at 11:30 a.m. at R. Cunningham Funeral Home in New Castle, Pa., interment following in Oak Park Cemetery.

ELIZA CARRIGAN

Eliza Stiles Carrigan, 79, of 821 First St., died October 27, 1995 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Bryson City, she was the wife of Arthur Carrigan and a homemaker. She was the daughter of the late James and Mary Watkins Stiles and a member of Missionary Methodist Church.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are five sons, Buell Carrigan, Gerald Carrigan and Jim Carrigan, all of Kings Mountain, Bob Carrigan of Blacksburg, SC and Bill Carrigan of Ocala, Fla.; two daughters, Faye House and Elaine Parker, both of Kings Mountain; one brother, James Stiles of Dallas; four sisters, Ida Montgomery and Minnie Davis, both of Gastonia, Mamie Hayes of Memphis, TN, and Julia Payne of Andrews; 19 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The funeral was conducted October 29, 1995 at 3 p.m. at Missionary Methodist Church by Rev. Howard Hardin and Rev. H. S. Scruggs. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

SYLVIA H. PERRY

Sylvia Hullender Perry, 82, of 1117-AI Oak Grove Rd., died October 27, 1995 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was a homemaker and widow of Jessie Perry Sr.

Surviving are one step-son, Jessie Lee Perry Jr. of Kings Mountain; one stepdaughter, Juanita Carroll of Kings Mountain; 13 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

The graveside service was conducted October 29, 1995 at 2 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery by Rev. Ron Caudler.

OTTO FORD

Otto Ford, 83, of 115 Beta Rd., died October 27, 1995 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, he was husband of Bonnie Wright Ford and the son of the late John Wesley and Nona Bennett Ford. He was a retired textile employee.

He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one daughter, Ronee Patterson of Cherryville; one grandson, Anderson Shane Patterson; one brother, Henry Ford of Kings Mountain; and three sisters, Margrace Ciceroni and Gertrude Hamrick, both of Camden, SC, and Mozelle Fowler of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted October 30, 1995 at 2 p.m. at Harris Chapel by Rev. Robbie Moore. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Yard and bake sale at East KM Church

There will be a yard and bake sale Saturday, November 4 beginning at 8 a.m. at East Kings Mountain Church of God, Highway 161 near Radio Station WKMT.

WILLIAMS

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adopt but we are aiming for reducing by 40 percent this backlog over a three year period," he said.

Hensley said an assessment team will also give a report card to Cleveland County on how well it takes care of kids in foster care.

He called for more updating of reporting data statewide and said the county is looking at a computerized system which can be bought with grant money and some matching funds.

A Kings Mountain grandmother appeared before the board to complain that it took 12 weeks for her three-year-old grandchild to receive child support checks.

"I am all for welfare reform but I want some answers," she said.

DSS Director Lorene Rogers said she was reluctant to talk at a public meeting about the particular case but reiterated that it takes time particularly in an incident when a parent changes jobs and the new company has to be notified about deduction of wages from payroll checks.

"I am aware of these kinds of problems involving absent parents but we do our best" said Attorney Julian Wray. "It's not a simple procedure."

Board member Jim Crawley reported that a place and moderator had been obtained for a planning session but suggested the board delay the retreat until the county commission names the new member of the board to replace Williams and until the current chairman Rosaleen Hunt has recuperated from an illness. Vice-Chairman Stuart LeGrand, who chaired the meeting, and member Jerri Horne agreed with the recommendation.



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