

Obituaries

MIKE BALLARD

David Michael Ballard Sr., 49, 1005 Sherwood Lane, Kings Mountain, died December 10, 1996.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of Charles E. Ballard of Kings Mountain and the late Betty Lou Roberts Ballard. He was owner and operator of Kings Mountain Antiques and Collectables Emporium, and was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

In addition to his father, he is survived by his wife, Melanie Ripple Ballard of Kings Mountain; and his son, David Michael "Bo" Ballard Jr. of Kings Mountain.

A memorial service will be conducted by Dr. Richard Newsome Thursday at 2 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mauney Memorial Library, 100 South Piedmont Avenue, Kings Mountain 28086; or First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 1188, Kings Mountain 28086.

CORA FOSTER

Cora Bolin Foster, 69, 1724 Countyline Road, Kings Mountain, died December 7, 1996 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Gaffney, SC, she was the daughter of the late Ervin and Victoria Mullinax Bolin and wife of the late Henry Foster. She was retired from the textile industry and was a member of Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church.

She is survived by her sons, Tommy and Michael Foster of Kings Mountain; daughters, Linda Franklin of Kings Mountain and JoAnn Green of Ellenboro; brothers, Brice Bolin of Blacksburg, SC, Lee Bolin of Aberdeen, J.C. Bolin of Gastonia, Wiley "Shorty" Bolin of South Dakota, and Curtis Bolin of Kings Mountain; sisters, Maxine Campbell of Rockingham, Dot Simpson of Wadesboro, and Margaret Eubanks of Cherokee Falls, SC; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Mitchell Pruitt Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

PEARL DAVIS

YORK, SC - Pearl West Davis, 96, of L.L. Davis Road, formerly of Kings Mountain, died December 5, 1996 at Piedmont Medical Center in Rock Hill, SC.

A native of New Port, TN, she was the daughter of the late Marshall Andrew and Sarah Elizabeth Wild West. She was the wife of the late Lias Leland Davis. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, LaFaye D. Smith. She was a homemaker and a member of Ramah Presbyterian Church, York.

She is survived by her daughter, Sybil Brantley of Charlotte; six grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Alvis Daniel Saturday at 11 a.m. at Ramah Presbyterian Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Ramah Presbyterian Church, Ramah Church Road, York, SC 29745.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FRELON RAMSEY

Freelon Ramsey, 76, 705 Webb Street, Kings Mountain, died December 5, 1996 at his residence.

A native of Cherokee County, SC, he was the son of the late Gallie Lanier. He was retired from Firestone after 32 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and was a member of Otis D. Green Post 155 of the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Hughes Ramsey of Kings Mountain; sons, Jerry Ramsey and Keith Ramsey of Kings Mountain; brother, Jack Lanier of Cherryville; sisters, Mamie Jenkins of Clinton, SC, Ruth Hughes of Kings Mountain, and Mary Hoyle of Bessemer City; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Eugene Land Saturday at 2 p.m. at Christian Freedom Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

School Board re-elects Hawkins

The Kings Mountain District Board of Education reelected Chairman Ronnie Hawkins and Vice-Chairman Billy Houze in a reorganizational meeting Monday night.

Hawkins is an official of Harris Funeral Home. Houze is a Lawndale minister.

Other members present and voting were Shearra Miller, Connie Allison and B.S. Peeler.

The board met in the media center at Kings Mountain High School and took the occasion to present a plaque to high school and state champion tennis star Jackie Houston, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Martin Stallings, who was recently notified that she has won an athletic scholarship to Wake Forest University where she will be a freshman next year.

Also honored with numerous citations and plaques for excellence in financial reporting were Terry Haas, Director of School Business Operations, and her staff, including Paulette Kaylor, Annette Webster, Beth McDaniel and Debbie Putnam.

The board appointed Shearra Miller to represent the board on the school calendar committee and named Tammy Roper and Crystal Adams as parent representatives on the board which will meet in January to develop a school calendar. There is a possibility that the group will develop a calendar for the system which would be two years in advance of implementation, thus giving additional notice to community members.

The board is expected to act on the calendar committee recommendation in February.

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