

# Obituaries

**DEBRA HUGHES**  
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS - Debra J. Hughes, 40, died Friday, September 5, 1997.

She was a longtime city editor for the Southwest Times Record and was a member of First Christian Church in Paris.

She was the daughter of the late Will Hughes, formerly of Kings Mountain.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth McCubbin; mother, Jessie Hughes of Parish; brother, Tony Hughes of Parish; three nephews, Jorge Hughes of Conway, Dr. Juan Smith of Fort Smith; and William Hughes of Hawaii; aunt, Ruby Baker of Kings Mountain; uncle, Ed Campbell of Kings Mountain; numerous cousins of Kings Mountain; and special friends Fred and Coleen Kiser and family of Kings Mountain.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 8 at First Christian Church of Fort Smith. The funeral was a 2 p.m. in Roller Chapel. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mount Magazine Girl Scout Council and the Phillip's Cancer Support Group of Fort Smith.

**JAMES HOFFMAN**  
BESSEMER CITY - James Claude Hoffman, 78, died September 17, 1997 in Nicholasville, KY.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late John A. and Ola McAlister Hoffman and father of the late James Mack Hoffman and Cathy H. Etherton. He was an Army veteran of World War II where he served in the 741st Tank Battalion. He was a machinist with Warner-Swasey until he retired in 1983. He was a member of Mt. Beulah Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Georgia P. Hoffman; sons and daughters-in-law, Jim R. and Sherry Hoffman of Nicholasville, KY, and Don A. and Ann Hoffman of Newnan,

GA; sister, Katherine Sarvis of Kings Mountain; eight grandchildren, Robyn, Travis and Jimmy R. Hoffman Jr., Jason Porch, Michael and Chad Etherton, Denver and Cole McElwaney; and two great-grandchildren, Kirk and Allyson Brandon.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Mount Beulah Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the donor's choice or to Mt. Beulah Baptist Church Building Fund, 5306 Dallas-Cherryville Highway, Bessemer City, NC 28016.

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**HOWARD SCRUGGS**  
SHELBY - Howard Andrew Scruggs, 72, 1832 Kemp Circle, died September 16, 1997 at Hospice at Wendover.

A native of Cherokee County, SC, he was the son of the late Kennerd and Samantha Brock Scruggs. He was retired as a truck driver with Sealtest Milk.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Anne Allen Scruggs of the home; son and daughter-in-law, Howard L. and Beverly Scruggs of Kings Mountain; step-son and wife, William "Bill" and Era Green of Kings Mountain; daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Steven Davis of Kings Mountain; daughter and son-in-law, Goldie and Paul Setzer of Shelby; daughter, Paulette Queen of Shelby; daughter and son-in-law, Louise and Richard Glenn of Shelby; sisters, Ila Camby of Union Mills and Burina Weaver of Mooresboro; 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his stepson, Patrick Green; brother, Lawrence Scruggs; first wife, Hazel White Scruggs; and second wife, Corie Green Scruggs.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Dale Angel at 2 p.m.

Thursday at Shuford-Hatcher Funeral Home Chapel in Gaffney, SC. Burial was in Frederick Memorial Gardens, Gaffney.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150; or New Buffalo Baptist Church, 1010 Lavender Road, Grover, NC.

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**MARGARET DELANEY**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Margaret Lee Bowen Delaney, 79, 801 Princeton Drive, formerly of Spartanburg, SC, died September 20, 1997 at White Oak Manor in Shelby.

A native of Davidson County, TN, she was the daughter of the late John Whesley and Hattie Cole Keith Bowen. She was a representative for Avon and a caregiver for the elderly. She was a member of Second Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son, Keith Dexter Bowen of Kings Mountain; sister, Ethel Murray of Spartanburg, SC; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Eugene Land and Bob Hope at 11 a.m. Monday at Second Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Second Baptist Church Building Fund, 120 Linwood Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**GEORGE BINGHAM**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN - George Ray Bingham, 53, 238 Kings Drive, died September 17, 1997 in Marshall, Arkansas.

A native of Gaston County, he was employed by Duke Power Company and was owner/operator of Scenic Tours, Inc. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Clover, SC.

He was the son of the late Johnnie Albert Bingham.

He is survived by his mother, Cecil McMillian Bingham of Kings Mountain; wife, Patricia Bingham of Kings Mountain; son, Mark Bingham of Hong Kong; daughters and sons-in-law, Teresa and Warren Haughton and Renee and John Miller of Pensacola, FL; three brothers, Ted Bingham of Columbus, GA, Bobby Bingham of Stanley and Woody Bingham of Clover, SC; three sisters, Brenda Whitworth of Dallas, Judy Gray of Stockbridge, GA, and Mildred Howard of Kings Mountain; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. Elwood Seamster, the Rev. Gary Boling, Warren Haughton and John Miller at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Colonial Chapel of Carothers Funeral Home in Gastonia. Burial was in Lakeview Memory Gardens, Filbert, SC.

Memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church, Highway 55-E & Griggs Road, P.O. Box 315, Clover, SC 29710.

Carothers Funeral Home, Gastonia, was in charge of arrangements.

**LEWIS BALL JR.**  
BLACKSBURG, SC - Lewis Ball Jr., 21, 108 Woodfence Drive, died September 22, 1997 at his home.

He was a native of Cleveland County, and an employee of Anvil Knitwear, Kings Mountain.

He is survived by his wife, Amanda Tadelock Ball of Blacksburg; sons, Dustin Ball of the home and Dolan Ball of Kings Mountain; parents, Lewis and Linda Seevers Ball Sr. of Kings Mountain; and sisters, Amanda Ball of Raleigh, Margie Sanders of Shelby and Debora Ball of Kings Mountain.

A memorial service will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. at the home of his parents at 1154 Rollingbrook Ct., Kings Mountain. Visitation is also at the home of his parents.

Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, is in charge of arrangements.

**PEARL McDOWELL**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Pearl Beatty McDowell, 88, 504 Gantt St., died September 23, 1997 at White Oak Manor.

She was a native of Cleveland County and daughter of the late James and Margaret Whisnant Beatty, and wife of the late John T. McDowell. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth Bell of Kings Mountain; one granddaughter, and one great-granddaughter.

The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. Eugene Land at 2 p.m. Friday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Visitation will be Thursday from 7-8 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

# New fiction at library

New fiction at Mauney Memorial Library:

## MYSTERIES

Parker, Robert. "Small Vices" (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1997).

Spencer dies, and lives to tell the tale, in Parker's stunning bestseller.

Robinson, Leah. "First Cut" (Avon Books, 1997).

A serial murderer is prowling Manhattan's Upper West Side, leaving a child's doll at the scene of each brutal crime. Evelyn Sutcliffe has already crossed paths with the faceless, cold-blooded psychopath, and she survived. Others have not been so lucky.

Sanders, Lawrence. "McNally's Gamble" (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1997).

Mixing high drama with high jinks, this is Sanders' most delectable offering yet.

Shaber, Sarah. "Simon Said" (St. Martin's Press, 1997).

Behind the imposing Greek columns of Kenon College sits the original three-room Bloodworth house built in 1785, where Dr. David Morgan is conducting an archeological dig. But before he has unearthed the colonial era artifacts he had helped to find, he uncovers a body.

Shelby, Philip. "Last Rights" (Simon & Schuster, 1997).

This is a novel of Washington intrigue that thrusts the reader into a whirlwind of murder spawned by elaborately masked scandals in the corridors of power.

White, Randy Wayne. "North Havana" (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1997).

Filled with crackling prose and some of the best characters in contemporary suspense, this is a triumph of inventive story telling.

White, Stephen. "Remote Control" (Dutton, 1997).

This newest rivetting Dr. Alan Gregory thriller is a compelling psychological tale of complex moral issues, intrigue, and murder.

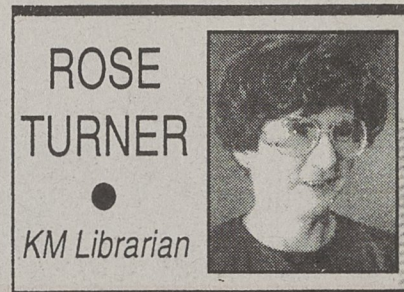
## SCIENCE FICTION

Anderson, Kevin & Doug Beason. "Ignition" (Forge, 1997).

The launch of the shuttle Atlantis will make history. Only Colonel Friese, the missions' former commander, invalid out with a broken foot, knows about the danger to his crew. Unknown to anyone, he has sneaked into the restricted zone. And now it's up to him to stop the clock before the countdown reaches Ignition.

Anderson, Poul. "Fleet of Stars" (Tor, 1997).

The staid, somber people of earth are not only dependent on technology, they are all but ruled by machine intelligence. Suspecting a conspiracy to suppress the last vestiges of freedom known to mankind, Guthrie sets out on a dangerous



and hair raising journey, encompassing the realm of the comets, the asteroids, and the stars themselves.

Anthony, Piers. "Hope of Earth" (Tor, 1997).

In a stirring, captivating saga that ranges from our ancient beginnings in Africa's Great Rift Valley to the windswept Andes a century from now, this novel tells the inspiring story of a group of heroic men and women, bound by ties of passion, honor, and blood, who struggle to transcend our violent past to make a new and shining future.

Clarke, Arthur C. "3001: The Final Odyssey" (Ballantine Books, 1997).

It began four million years ago with a gleaming black monolith. It continued at the dawn of the 21st century when an identical black monolith was excavated on the moon. ONLY Dave Bowman would survive to encounter a third, and far more massive, monolith on Jupiter's moon Europa - and be forever transformed into the star child.

Crumpton, Anne Elliot. "Gawain and Lady Green" (Donald I. Fine Books, 1997).

Continuing her exploration of the compelling female characters of King Arthur's court, the author weaves a wondrous tale based on the classic Middle English poem, "Sir Gawain and the Green Knight."

Dietz, William. "Soldier for the Empire; Star Wars" (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1997).

Kyle Katarn has just graduated from the Imperial Military Academy on Carida when he learns of his father's untimely death and departs for home. During the trip, Kyle cements a friendship with a Rebel agent, learns the ugly truth about the way his father died, and swears revenge on the Empire.

Llywelyn, Morgan. "Irish Magic II" (Kensington Publishing Company, 1997).

Welcome to Ireland, land of changeling and enchanted springs, where fairies ride through moonlit nights in shimmering ephemeral splendor, and music has immortal power, land of the mist and magic, of sorcery and spells, where even the most forbidden and impossible love can become breath-taking reality.

Shatner, William. "Star Trek; Avenger" (Pocket Books, 1997).

Full of high adventure and powerful drama, this is an engrossing new Star Trek epic, and a moving tale of past memories and new hopes.



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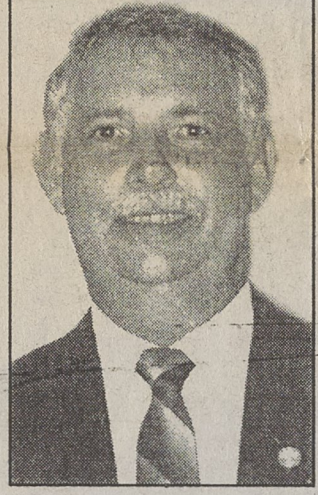
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## KINGS MOUNTAIN WEATHER REPORT

	Sept. 17-23	Year Ago
Total precipitation	.61	.18
Maximum one day	.50 (23rd)	.18 (21st)
Year to date	37.91	36.19
Minimum temperature	61 (21st, 23rd)	52 (18th)
Maximum temperature	93 (21st)	82 (17th, 23rd)
Average temperature	74.4	67.3

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