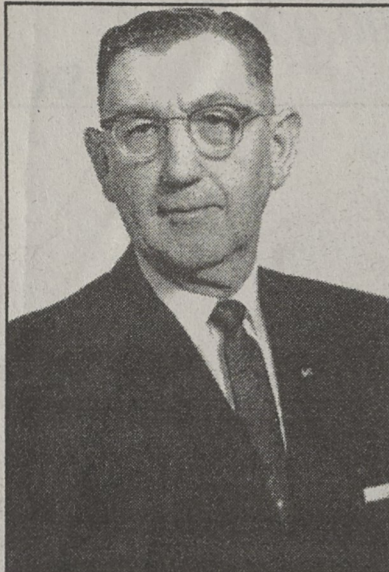


# Obituaries



**JOHN LOWERY MCGILL**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - John Lowery McGill, 94, of 208 West Gold St., died July 3, 1998 at White Oak Manor.

He was a native of York, SC, son of the late John Lowery and Lona White McGill.

Affectionately called "Mr. Johnny," he was a partner for many years with the late C. D. Blanton at Kings Mountain Drug Company.

A member and Elder of Boyce Memorial ARP Church for many years, he was also ac-

tive in the civic life of the community. A charter member of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club, he was the club's treasurer for many years. He was also the first chairman of the Kings Mountain Housing Authority and served for 22 years. He also served on the Kings Mountain Hospital Board of Trustees and was a Director for Life of First National Bank in Kings Mountain.

He and Lena Ware McGill were married 64 years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted July 5, 1998 at 2 p.m. at Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church by his pastor, Rev. Doug Petersen. Interment was in Bethany ARP Church Cemetery in Clover, SC.

Honorary pallbearers were elders of Boyce Memorial ARP Church. Active pallbearers were deacons of Boyce Memorial ARP Church.

Memorials may be made to Boyce Memorial ARP Church, Edgemont Dr., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**EVERETTE L. PATTERSON**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Everette L. Patterson, 76, of 5109 E. Dixon Blvd., died July 3, 1998 at home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Tom and Lee Black Paterson. A retired barber for 30 years with Cleveland Barber Shop, he had also retired from Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company.

He was a member of David Baptist Church where he was a deacon and Sunday School teacher of the Fellowship Class for many years. He was a veteran of the US Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Delores Williams Patterson; one son and daughter-in-law, Tommy and Jeannie Patterson of Bessemer City; one step-

brother, Loy Wright of Dahlonega, Ga. and one granddaughter, Nicole Patterson of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted July 6, 1998 at 11 a.m. at David Baptist Church by Rev. Claude McIntosh, Rev. Jody Griffin and Rev. Cline Borders. Burial was in David Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to David Baptist Church Van Fund, 2300 David Baptist Church Rd., Kings Mountain, 28086 or to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, 28150.

**LINDA WEBSTER LEIGH**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Linda Webster Leigh, 50, of 1506 Phifer Rd., died July 6, 1998 at home.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of Audrey Aileen Bridges of Kings Mountain and the late Frank Victor Webster. She was the wife of Sam Leigh, a member of First Baptist Church, and an employee of BellSouth of Charlotte.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and mother, are one son, Chad Leigh of Kings Mountain; two daughters, Shelley Leigh of Kings Mountain and Nikki McKinney and husband, Alan McKinney,

of Weaverville; three brothers, Rufus Webster and Claude Webster, both of Kings Mountain, and Larry Webster of Grover; two sisters, Aileen Horton of Spartanburg, SC and Wanda Beaver of Locust; and one grandchild, Anna Leigh McKinney.

The funeral will be conducted July 9, 1998 at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church by Rev. John Sloan. Interment will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**JOE ROBERT PENLAND**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Joe Robert Penland, 86, of 1887 Galway Place, El Cajon, CA, died June 30, 1998 at San Diego Hospice.

He was husband of the late Martha Adams Penland and was retired from the US Navy after 32 years of service. A graduate of Annapolis, he was an aviator who flew off carriers. During his career, he was shot down and rescued at sea after sinking an enemy carrier. He was also the first aviator to become captain of a ship - the "Lake Champlain" which was also an aircraft carrier.

After retirement, he worked for the aerospace industry for 10 years including General Dynamics. He later purchased and operated a dry cleaning business with his son.

He is survived by two sons, Robert Penland of Santa Rosa, CA and Joseph Penland of El Cajon, CA; one sister, Faye Cowan; and three grandchildren, Robin Elliott of San Diego and Shannon and Michael Penland of La Mesa, CA.

The graveside service will be conducted Friday at 3 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery with Rev. Don Capell officiating.

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home of Bessemer City is in charge of arrangements.

**O.C. KISER**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - O. C. Kiser, 76, of 210 Cleveland Ave. Apt. 23B, died July 5, 1998 at home.

A native of Cherokee County, SC, he was the son of the late Otto Calvin and Thelma Violet Sncad Kiser. He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church and a retired employee of the City of Kings Mountain.

Past President of the Civitan Club in Kings Mountain and the Local Chapter of AARP, he served in the North Carolina National Guard and Air Guard and in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Lorena Falls Kiser of the home; two sons, Phillip Kiser of Kings Mountain and Daniel Kiser of Grover; one daughter, Sandra Bolick of Kings Mountain; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted July 8, 1998 at 2 p.m. at Macedonia Baptist Church by Rev. David Philbeck and Rev. Edward Brown. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Macedonia Baptist Church, 1101 S. Battleground Ave., Kings Mountain, 28086 or to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, 28150.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## POLICE STATION

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and the side of the building facing Harris Funeral Home will have a sally port drive-through.

Maney said the color scheme for the building is similar to the interior design used by the Gastonia. Color charts are on display at City Hall.

"We hope to break ground for the new building August 1," said Maney.

## SCHOOL BOARD

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positions have been filled with exception of a Science teacher at the high school; a social studies and English teacher at the middle school; and a kindergarten teacher at East School. He said the new faculties include two minority employees and he was accompanied by principals to conduct interviews of prospective teachers at the recent Job Fair at Mooresville Schools.

Twelve teacher contracts were approved including a number from out of state, including Gary Statler, fifth grade, Bethware, of West Virginia; Bryan Feldman, Social Studies at Middle School and Aimee Feldman, Exceptional Children at Middle School, Indiana; Jenny Collins, hearing impaired, Middle school and Michael Bogart, chemistry, High school, of South Carolina. Nora McLurkin of Union County will teach Science at the middle school; Ed Guy, who announced his retirement, will continue in an interim position next year at Parker Street School and Jenny Hollifield will move from Shelby City Schools to East Elementary.

## WORTHEN

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"Most of the time I just write and ask for materials and I get them free, sometimes I have to pay for postage," he said.

Worthen has set up an office at home and calls it his business for the Lord.

"I've moved around to several different churches and helped with building programs," said Worthen, who was the clerk at East Shelby Church of God and also helped with the building programs at Eighth Street Church of God in Bessemer City and Cherryville Church of God and now he's active in the renovation program at Grover Church of God.

Worthen retired from FMC Lithium five years ago after 23 1/2 years of employment. He and his wife, Ruby, have one son, Roy Keith Falls; one daughter, Lisa Ware of Kings Mountain; and three grandchildren, Christina Falls, a high school senior; Janie Falls, 13, and Brandon Ware, 4.

Worthen says county jail administrator Max E. Blanton has been highly supportive of the jail ministry as has Cleveland County Sheriff Dan Crawford.

"We help these folks who get out of jail with a follow up ministry to help them get back to their families and direct them to agencies that can help them with housing and job leads," he said.

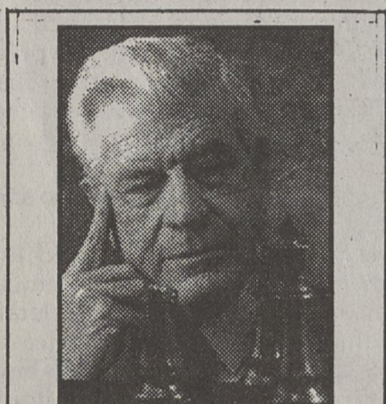
Worthen gives God the credit for the ministry.

He said one prisoner summed up the turning point jail and prison ministry in a poem, "God's love is precious, God's love is free, He sent it to us when He died upon that tree. Sometimes we suffer, sometimes indeed, but if we've got God's love what else do we need?"

## Adult Tennis League kicks off Monday

The Kings Mountain Tennis Association and Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor an adult tennis league beginning July 13 at the Kings Mountain High School tennis courts.

For more information contact Humphries at 739-5750 or Hord at 734-0449.



**BETTY SMITH SIMMONS**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Betty Smith Simmons, 69, of 227 West Ridge St., died July 6, 1998 at home.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was born April 24, 1929 the daughter of the late McKinley and Bertie Gregory Smith. She was a retired employee of Rausch Industries of Gastonia and the widow of Harold Simmons.

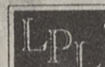
Surviving are one son, John T. Rogers of the home; two daughters, Vickie S. Miller of Piedmont, SC and Jean Rogers of Gastonia; one sister, Loretta Smith of Kings Mountain; and one grandchild.

The graveside service will be conducted July 9, 1998 at 11 a.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church Cemetery in Piedmont, SC.

Stribling Funeral Home, Duncan, SC, is in charge of arrangements.

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