

Obituaries



Laura Webb
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Laura Elizabeth Webb, infant daughter of Rodney and Jennifer Townsend Webb, died November 10, 1998 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Elizabeth Townsend; maternal great-grandfather, Howard Townsend; maternal great-grandparents, Conley and Libby Hicks; and paternal great-grandfather, Rev. Odes Webb.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her brother, Joshua Webb of the home; maternal grandfather, Robert Townsend and wife, Margaret, of Morganton; maternal great-grandmother, Hester Townsend of Lenoir; paternal grandparents, Rev. Charles and Patricia Webb of Kings Mountain; paternal great-grandmother, Minnie Webb of Kings Mountain; and paternal great-grandparents, Arnold and Audrey Effler of Kings Mountain.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Eddie Russell at 3 p.m. Thursday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Thomas Phillips
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Thomas "Tom" Phillips, 62, #4 Bennett Drive, died November 16, 1998 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

He was a native of Gaston County and the son of the late Roy and Neva Willis Phillips. He was also preceded in death by sisters Beulah Mitchell and Betty Lefevers. He was an employee of Gossett Machine Works, Gastonia.

He is survived by his wife of the home Dean Whitaker Phillips of Kings Mountain; son Danny Phillips of Kings Mountain; daughter and son in law Donna and Ricky Short of Kings Mountain; brothers Bill Phillips, Howard Phillips, Frank Phillips, and Melvin Helms all of Kings Mountain, Lewis Phillips and Jerry Phillips, both of Bessemer City; sisters Louise Roddey of Kings Mountain, Muriel Norwood of Bessemer City, and Ruby Helms of Burlington; also grandchildren Amanda Phillips and Charles Thomas Phillips, and great-grandchild Isiah Phillips.

The funeral was conducted by Revs. Roger Woodard and James Hamrick at Family Worship Center at 4 pm, Wednesday. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Worship Center Building Fund, Shelby Road, Kings Mountain 28086.

EVAN EVANS
FERNANDINA BEACH, FL - Evan James Evans 85, died October 28, 1998.

A native of San Diego, CA, he was the son of Evan Ridge Evans and Anna Vance Peek Evans.

He was educated at Mars Hill College, Wake Forest University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa. He was an educator for over 40 years. He began his teaching career in Spring Creek and Hot Springs, and later served as a school principal in North Carolina and Florida.

He was ordained in 1944 at Mars Hill College through Mars Hill Baptist Church to serve as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy. He served as lieutenant on the destroyer U.S.S. John Rodgers in World War II.

He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of French Broad Lodge #292. He was a lifetime member of George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association in Alexandria, VA.

He is survived by his wife, Ollie Paris Evans of Hot Springs and Fernandina Beach, FL; son and daughter-in-law, Robert James and Sandy Evans of Birmingham, AL; daughter and son-in-law, Mary Helen and Larry Schulte of Herndon, VA; grandchildren, Brad and Greg Baur of Greenville, SC, Sue Schulte of London, England, and Kathi Scott of Minnetonka, Minn.; great-grandson, Derek Scott of Minnetonka, Minn.; sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Joe Kiser of Asheville; sister-in-law, Lucille Paris of Greeneville, TN; nieces and their husbands, Becky and Ralph Bunty of Birmingham, AL, and Mabel Ann and Vic Carnahan of Jacksonville, FL; nephew, Robert Hunter Paris of Kingsport, TN; and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Arthur Ammons at 2 p.m. Sunday at Hot Springs Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Madison County, P.O. Box 909, 170 Carl Eller Road, Mars Hill, NC 28754.

GLADYS J. TRAYWICK
GROVER - Gladys J. Traywick, 70, 103 Amesbury Road, died November 11, 1998 at Wendover Hospice Center.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late George Virgil and Beatrice Johnson McKinney, and wife of the late John "Jack" Traywick. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Dewey McKinney, and her sister, Frances McKinney.

She was retired from the textile industry, and was a member of Fifth Street Freewill Baptist Church, Gastonia.

She is survived by her son, Larry Traywick of Gastonia; daughters, Mickey Purvis of

Grover, Marlene Wilkins of Shelby, and Cheryl Hoyle of Blacksburg, SC; sisters, Mrs. Faye Spurrier and Mrs. Gail Garrett, both of Gastonia; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Billy Allen at 11 a.m. Saturday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Grover Cemetery.

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

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BOBBY BLACK
SHELBY - Bobby Douglas Black, 65, 216 Dellinger Road, died November 17, 1998 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Kings Mountain, he was the son of the late James Henry and Essie Collins Black. He was also preceded in death by his daughter, Wanda Hodges.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army with service in the Korean War.

He is survived by his daughters, Betty Wray of Cherryville and Sandra Black of Bessemer City; son, Bobby Black of Kings Mountain; sisters, Hazel Ledford of Shelby, Darlene Yarbo of Kings Mountain, and Mutt Hannah of Dallas; brothers, Roy Black of Forest City, Dean Black of Mt. Holly, and John Pete Black of Kings

Mountain; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. Dan Black at 2 p.m. Thursday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel. Burial will be in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Cleveland Funeral Services, Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

IDA ALLEN
SHELBY - Mrs. Ida Mae Shepherd Allen, 72, 2554 Shoal Creek Road, died November 12, 1998 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Sam and Nancy Doster Shepherd. She was retired from Esther Mill. She was a member of Manna Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband of the home, Joe P. Allen; son and daughter in law Glenn and Annice Allen, Jerry and Kathy Allen, and Randy and Teresa Allen, all of Shelby; daughter and son in law Linda A. and Luke Elrod of Rock Hill, S.C.; daughter and son in law Helen B. and Curt Greer of Clemson, S.C.; also eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Thomas Whitlock at 2 pm Saturday at Manna Baptist Church. Burial was in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Manna Baptist Church, 1714 Burke Road, Shelby 28152.

MILDRED COOK
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mildred Howell Cook, 78, 600 Temple Street, died November 14, 1998 at Wendover Hospice Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Columbus Mills and Maggie Russ Howell. She was the wife of the late Bynum P. Cook. She was also preceded in death by her daughter Katherine Aileen "Yene" Cook, her brother, Everett Howell, and sister Gladys Howell Lovelace. She was a retired lab analyst from Fiber Industries, Inc.

She is survived by son and wife Kenneth E. and Becky Thornburg Cook of Kings Mountain; grandchildren Tracy Lee and Ellen Steen Cook of Jefferson, Alabama, Terrie Anne Cook of Kings Mountain, and Tammy Cook Mann and husband John of Weddington; great grandchild Kenneth Tyler Cook of Jefferson, Alabama.

The graveside funeral was conducted by Dr. John Sloan and Rev. Ron Caulder at Mountain Rest Cemetery at 11 am Monday, November 16.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover heights Drive, Shelby 28150, or Alconon Club, 109 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, 28086, or Cleveland Vocational Institute, 404 E. Double Shoals Road, Lawndale, 28090.

CLIFFORD PEARSON
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Clifford A. "Frog" Pearson, age 73, 113 Gaston Street, died November 14, 1998 at Carolinas Medical Center.

A native of Cherokee County, S.C., he was the son of the late Lucius M. Pearson and Grace Carswell Allison. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Ela Joy Pearson, son James Clifford Pearson, daughter Linda R. Champion, and brothers Max E. Pearson and Thomas Ned Pearson.

He was a member of Second Baptist Church, Shelby, a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy, a member of Otis D. Green Post 155 American Legion, and retired from B&B Food Store, Kings Mountain.

He is survived by sons Thomas Pearson of Shelby, and Paul Reynolds of Kings Mountain; daughters Regina Dixon of Kings Mountain, Kelly Patton of Gaffney, S.C., and Shelly Silver of Asheville; sister Amy Luckadoo, Shelby; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The graveside service was conducted by Revs. Don Williams and Bill Jones at Mountain Rest Cemetery at 3 pm, November 16.

Memorials may be made to Kings Mountain Crisis Ministry, 208 N. Cleveland Ave., Kings Mountain 28086.

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