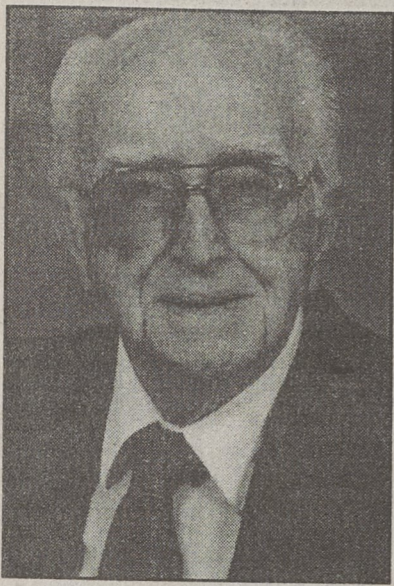


OBITUARIES



LEE DIXON
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Lee Dixon, 85, 310 West Gold Street, died June 4, 1999 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Robert B. and Frances Watterson Dixon. He was the husband of the late Frances Miller Dixon. He was also preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, Grady Dixon, Ira Dixon, Hill Dixon, Kelly Dixon, Sarah Dixon Howell, Annie Dixon Blackburn, Mylie Dixon Huffstetler, and Cora Dixon Sipes.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, where he served as a former Deacon, Sunday School teacher, past president of the Brotherhood, and member of the Sanctuary and Senior Choirs. He was retired from Neisler Mills after 40 years.

He is survived by his daughters, Joyce Dye and husband, Gene, of Kings Mountain and Mary Comstock and husband, Wayne, of Fayetteville; sister, Lucille Dixon Sellers of Shelby; five grandchildren, Barney Dye and wife, Debbie; and Rex Dye and wife, Tonya, all of Kings Mountain; Mary Kathryn Comstock of Greensboro, Amanda Comstock of Asheville, and Lindsay Comstock of Fayetteville; and five great-grandchildren, Lauren Dye, Hannah Dye, Samuel Dye, Madison Dye, and Sarah Grace Dye.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. John Sloan and Rev. Norman Brown at 11 a.m. Monday at First Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church "Harvest Fund," 605 West King Street, Kings Mountain, NC 28086. Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

OTIS W. GREENE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Otis W. Greene, 80, 108 Edell Street, died June 7, 1999 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Oscar Benjamin and Oveda Randall Greene. He was a member of the VFW and the American Legion. He served in the United States Army and in the United States Navy during World War II. He was retired from the construction industry.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Blanton Greene of Kings Mountain; son, Dean Greene and wife, Alice, of Concord; daughters, Sylvia Bridges and husband, Jay, of Kings Mountain, Joyce Ratley and husband, Giles, of Bessemer City, and Linda Greene of Grover; brothers, Donald Green of Kings Mountain and Randall Green of Blacksburg, SC; sisters, Flo Beverly of Kings Mountain and Margaret Neal of Gastonia; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Don Williams at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

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

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

KM Zoning Board to meet on Tuesday

The Kings Mountain Planning and Zoning Board will meet Tuesday, June 15 at 5:30 p.m.

The board will discuss subdivision modifications and other business.

JOANN WARE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - JoAnn Jackson Ware, 60, 804 Williamsburg Court, died June 7, 1999 at her home.

A native of Elyria, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Walter F. Jackson. She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church and was a graduate of East Carolina University, Greenville, NC. She was retired from Plastic Products, Inc.

She is survived by her husband, William B. "Bill" Ware Jr. of Kings Mountain; mother, Elfrieda Hoegler Jackson of Richmond, VA; and sister, Mary Hazelgrove of Richmond, VA.

A graveside service was conducted by Father Walter Edwards Jr. and Dr. John Sloan at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Association of University Women, c/o Ester Muench, Ed. Chair, 310 Downing Drive, Kings Mountain, NC 28086; Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150; or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

HELEN DELLINGER
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Helen McSwain Dellinger, 73, 107 Dillon Road, died June 3, 1999 at her home.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Richard and Maude Turner McSwain and wife of the late W.V. "Dub" Dellinger. She was also preceded in death by her son, Sgt. Larry Dellinger; sister, Ada Wright; and three brothers, E.K. McSwain, Jim McSwain, and Bill McSwain.

She was a homemaker and a member of Patterson Grove Baptist Church. She is survived by her sons, Wayne Dellinger and wife, Faye, and William Gene "Bill" Dellinger and wife, Barbara, all of Kings Mountain; daughters, Brenda Blanton and husband, Jimmie, and Judy Scism and husband, Paul, all of Kings Mountain; brother, J.L. McSwain of Shelby; sister, Nancy Harmon of Morganton; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Terry Bird at 11 a.m. Saturday at Patterson Grove Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Patterson Grove Baptist Church Building Fund, 301 Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086, or to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Road, Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

VERNON SMITH
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Vernon Lee "Peanut" Smith, 85, 703 Meadowbrook Road, died June 3, 1999 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late W. Franklin and Eva O'Dessa Carr Smith. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, James E. Smith and Boyce "Jack" Smith, and sisters Ruby S. Dye and Annie S. Durham.

He was a member of the IG Greer Society of Baptist Children's Home of NC, and a member of Macedonia Baptist Church where he served as a former Deacon, Sunday School teacher of young boys, and assistant Training Union Leader. He was a member of Fairview Masonic Lodge AM & FM #339. He served in the United States Army during World War II. He was retired from the City of Kings Mountain and was a former employee of Neisler Mills where he served for 35 years.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Stella McGuire Smith of Kings Mountain; brother, Clyde H. Smith and wife, Gertrude, of Columbia, SC; and sister, Elvia Pearson and husband Roy, of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Robbie Moore and Steve Hoffman at 3 p.m. Sunday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina, P.O. Box 338, Thomasville, NC 27360; or Dr. Joseph E. Lee Medical Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 639, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

NANCY WILSON
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Nancy Johnston Wilson, 75, died Tuesday, June 8, 1999 in Marietta, GA.

She was a native of Glasgow, Scotland.

She is survived by her son, Steve Wilson of Kings Mountain; daughters, Vivien Cissell of Marietta, GA and Kelli Ferment of Charlotte; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and sisters, Jean Green of Victoria, British Columbia, Margaret Lamohd of Ft. William, Scotland, and Cathie Lindsay f Bumfries, Scotland.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel.

Memorials may be made to Wellstar Community Hospice, 4040 Hospital West Rd., Austell, GA 30106.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

IRENE McDANIEL
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Irene King Redmond McDaniel, 84, 549 Patterson Road, died June 3, 1999 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Swain County, she was the daughter of the late George and Ada Gass King, and wife of the late Broadus McDaniel. She was a retired Nursing Assistant and a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son, James Redmon and wife, Isabell, of Gaffney, SC; daughters, Fannie Elliott of Asheville, Dorothy Austin of Kings Mountain, Marian Sites and husband, Bob, and Carolyn Bridges and husband, James, all of Shelby; 11 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Ron Caulder at 2 p.m. Saturday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DIALYSIS

From 1A

people are on commercial insurance, the majority have their expenses handled by Medicare or Medicaid. Kidney problems and the need for dialysis knows no boundaries.

"We have patients ranging in age from 21 years to 80 years of age," said Metrolina Kidney Center charge nurse Susan Starcher. "Kidney patients can be any race or gender. Some have warning of kidney failure, but many do not. Dialysis is a necessity of life for our patients."

The dialysis room at Metrolina Kidney Center is cool and quiet. Patients receiving their dialysis recline in comfortable chairs and are monitored constantly during treatment. The machinery that handles the actual dialysis is an \$11,000 wonder from Germany called a Fresenius 2008H. Fresenius is the parent company of Metrolina Kidney Center.

"While a patient is receiving dialysis, we monitor their blood pressure and the needle site for leakage," Starcher said. "Dialysis can lower the blood pressure so we constantly look for signs of nausea, dizziness, or headache in the patients."

Brian Engle, chief technician at Metrolina Kidney Center is well-versed in the equipment that does the work of dialysis.

"During dialysis, a patient's blood is passed through a filter made up of hollow fibers smaller than a human hair," Engle says. "The impurities in the blood that are attached to blood molecules is removed by the filter. Extending life is what we are all about. Without your kidneys, you're gone."

God forbid that anyone should ever have kidney failure. For those who have suffered this ailment, it's good to know that help of the first order is now available in Kings Mountain. There for those who need their special type of care, Metrolina Kidney Center is in the business of lengthening life.



ALAN HODGE/THE HERALD
Kings Mountain School District maintenance worker Bill Ivey was at Davidson School doing some paint trim work recently. Ivey's painting was just one of the many projects going on to spruce up schools this summer in and around Kings Mountain.

Summer busiest time of year for school maintenance jobs

BY ALAN HODGE
Staff Writer

While the children are away, the construction and repair crews will stay. That rhyme could be the motto for schools in the Kings Mountain School District this summer. In addition to the countless little repairs that are being handled, several large-scale projects are in the works at five local schools.

Anyone who has been within smelling distance of Kings Mountain High School for the last couple of weeks has picked up the distinctive aroma of melted asphalt. A look atop Barnes Auditorium will show the crew from Chinese Roofing that has been slathering a fresh topping on the auditorium's venerable brow. The roofing project, which will cost \$45,240, is about half finished.

Another project slated to begin soon at Kings Mountain High School will be replacement of air handling units for the library and one classroom. Cost of this project, set for early July, is estimated to be \$25,680.

Kings Mountain Weather Report

(Compiled by Kenneth Kitzmiller)

	June 2-8	Year Ago
Total precipitation	.41	1.35
Maximum one day	41 (2nd)	71 (4th)
Year to date	17.46	31.25
Minimum temp.	65 (3rd)	50 (6th)
Maximum temp.	94 (8th)	94 (3rd)
Average temp.	77.6	74.3

ICE CREAM

From 1A

recipes to America. A luxury food, ice cream was made exclusively in the home until 1851 when a Baltimore milk dealer named John Fussell established the nation's first ice cream plant.

From Fussell's first factory, ice cream took off like a frozen rocket. In the early 1900s, sodas and sundaes were introduced. The ice cream cone was invented at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904. The year 1921 saw the first ice cream bar hit the market.

As if anyone needed an excuse to enjoy it, the fact is ice cream is a pretty healthy food. The milk products in ice cream contain calcium, phosphorus, protein, and vitamin A. The fats in ice cream and the carbohydrates make ice cream a good source of energy as well.

Just like everything else, the government keeps its eye on ice cream. Food and Drug Administration standards for ice cream specify that it must contain 20 percent milk fat and milk solids by weight. Ice milk must have 11 percent milk solids, and sherbet at least 2 percent milk solids. Sherbet contains about twice as much sugar as ice cream.

Everyone has their favorite place to get ice cream, and also their favorite flavor. Vanilla makes up about one third of all ice cream types sold in the United States. Chocolate and Neopolitan come in second and third in the ice cream flavor derby.

A spot in Kings Mountain that has seen ice cream lovers

trim at Davidson, that work is coming in at \$320, and is about half finished.

Rounding out the big projects on tap for Kings Mountain Schools this summer is the recently completed job of installing extra security lights at Kings Mountain Middle School. Cost of the installation was just a hair over \$891.

"We have had numerous major projects to do this summer," said Kings Mountain School District director of facility maintenance Robert Scism. "In addition to these works, there is always the smaller, maintenance jobs we constantly do."

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Farmers more than most other people feel the effect of an extended period of heat and drought. With its large number of farms, Cleveland County is dependent on a good supply of rain for its cotton and corn crops.

Different parts of the county have received varying amounts of rain," said agricultural agent Steve Gibson. "Places like Boiling Springs and Swainsville have gotten some good showers, but the upper end of the county is very dry."

WEATHER

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The types of crops grown in Cleveland County have different tolerances to drought, according to Gibson.

"Small grains such as wheat that are due to be harvested over the next couple of weeks actually need dry weather," Gibson says. "On the other hand, the county's corn crop is in danger of loss if there isn't a break in the heat and dryness soon. Soybeans and cotton can take the heat much better than the corn."

In addition to the effect that the heat and drought have had on water supply and agriculture, is the impact felt on air quality. Without a break in the weather, ozone levels have already entered the danger zone. Even though Cleveland County has so far failed to make a list of counties on the "bad air" list, its neighbors of Mecklenburg, Gaston, and Union are there.

Saving water and saving lives are two priorities until the weather breaks. Tips for conserving water include watering lawns only when absolutely necessary, using brooms and buckets to clean paved areas, check faucets and pipes for leaks, and limiting showers to five minutes. Folks with breathing problems should only venture outside when air quality indexes are safe.

Even though the long-range forecast calls for cooler weather and rain next week, the watchword for now is conservation. That, and thoughts of snow capped peaks in the Swiss Alps should hold everyone until the rains return.