

# OBITUARIES

## JUNIE BOWENS

GROVER- Junie Hord Bowens, 88, 217 Hardin Circle, Grover, N.C., died September 10, 1999 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Grover and Emma Pearl Porter Hord. She was also preceded in death by her two sons Kenneth Bowens and Reece Bowens. She was a homemaker and a member of Faith Baptist Church.

She is survived by sons Jimmy Bowens and wife Elizabeth of Grover, Harold Bowens and wife Jan of Sulphur, Louisiana, and Larry Bowens and wife Sandra of Blacksburg, S.C.; daughters Sandra Adams and husband Gene of Grover, Elaine Mullinax of Grover, Geneva Hord of Grover, Maxine Spell and husband Curtis of Grover; brother Calvin Hord of Martinsville, Ohio; sister Lucy Wright of Shelby; twenty one grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 3 pm at Faith Baptist Church by the Revs. Barry Goodman and Johnny Owens. Burial was in Faith Baptist Church cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## RUBY BRIDGES

KINGS MOUNTAIN- Ruby Putnam Bridges, 76, 106 Afton Dr., died September 12, 1999 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Eula Wade and Bessie Jackson Putnam and wife of the late Oliver Bright Bridges. She was also preceded in death by her son Bobby Kenneth Bridges, brother Wade Putnam, Jr., and sisters Helen Huff and Janice Keeter. She was retired from Spectrum Yarns and a member of Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

She is survived by sons Donald Wayne Bridges of Pensacola, Florida, Dean Bridges of Marion, N.C., Roger Bridges of Kings Mountain; sisters Alberta Strickland of Kings Mountain, Jeannie Blanchette of Charlotte, Polly Gamble of Bessemer City, Ada Burton of Matthews, N.C.; also eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 4 pm at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church by the Rev. Mitchell Pruitt. Burial was in Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, 618 Chestnut Ridge Road, Kings Mountain 28086.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## LOTTIE PHILLIPS

SHELBY- Lottie Brooks Phillips, 79, 1306 Markway Street, died September 12, 1999 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Jackson County, Georgia, she was the daughter of the late L.J. Brooks and Norma Mae Phillips Brooks, and the wife of the late Odis E. Phillips. She was also preceded in death by brothers Paul Brooks, Curtis Brooks, and Lonnie Brooks, Jr., and sister Blondine Poston.

She is survived by son Ed Phillips of Shelby, and sister Mary Barnett of Shelby.

A graveside service was conducted at Cleveland Memorial Park, Tuesday, at 11 am by the Rev. Harold Fite.

Memorials may be made to the N.C. Foundation for the Blind, PO Box 39, Sherrills Ford, N.C. 28673.

## JOHN HOWELL

KINGS MOUNTAIN- John H. Howell, 77, 1417 Battleground Ave., died September 12, 1999 at home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Phillip Crowder and Nancy Ann Huffstetler Howell and husband of the late Beatrice Thompson Howell. He was retired from Glen Raven Mills, Kings Mountain. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church and a Mason. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

He is survived by his wife Lucille Bowen Howell of Kings Mountain; sons John William Howell and wife Patricia of Kings Mountain, Robert Lewis Howell and wife June of Gastonia, Franklin David Howell and wife Lillian of Shelby, Jack Cannon and wife Ana of Orlando, Florida, Robert Glover and wife Judy of Earl, Jerry Glover and wife Dianne of Shelby; daughters Susan Stewart and husband Eddie of Kings Mountain, Judy Bryant and husband Melvin of Kings Mountain, Linda Weaver and husband Buck of Kings Mountain, Teresa Toney and husband William of Kings Mountain, Betty Hamrick and husband Gary of Lawndale, and Margaret Thompson and husband Wayne of Shelby; sisters Myrtle Wilson of Thomasville, N.C., and Jeanette Breakfield of Rock Hill; also twenty three grandchildren, twenty two great grandchildren, and seven great great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 2 pm at Bethlehem Baptist Church by the Revs. David Blanton and Larry Philbeck. Burial was in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Road, Shelby 28150, or American Cancer Society, Shelby 28150.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## ROY BAILES

SHELBY- Roy James Bailes, 77, 313 Lily Street, died September 13, 1999 at Autumn Care of Shelby.

A native of York County, S.C., he was the son of the late William Thomas Bailes and Mary Frances Neeley Bailes, and the husband of the late Agnes Lois Carter Bailes. He was also preceded in death by grandson Darren Glenn Carter, brothers Sam Bailes and Carl Bailes, and a sister Rebecca Hamrick.

He was a retiree of Ora Mill an, a member of Bethel Baptist Church, a member of the DAV, and a U.S. Navy veteran of the Pacific Theater of World War II.

He is survived by son and daughter in law Glenn and Geneva Carter of Greenville, S.C.; brothers Jesse Bailes, Jack Bailes, Ben Bailes, all of Shelby, and Charles Bailes of Hickory; sisters Grace Hyder of Shelby, Annie Mae Orr of Charleston, S.C., Lucille Robinson of Shelby, Martha Laneer of Anderson, S.C., Betty Raines of Shelby, Katherine Sailors of Patterson Springs, Della Price of Shelby, and Doris Jones of Shelby; granddaughters Tracy Lynn Finley, Chandra Joanne Pressley, Joy Michelle Bruckman; great grandsons Jeffrey Pressley, Joey Pressley, Blake Bruckman, Bradley Bruckman.

The funeral was conducted Wednesday at Clay Barnette Chapel at 11 am. Burial was in Cleveland Memorial Park.

## RUTH HORN

KINGS MOUNTAIN- Ruth Wells Horn, 50, 609 Bell Road, Kings Mountain, died September 12, 1999 at Carolinas Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was a member of Family Worship Center, Church of God, Kings Mountain. She was an employee of Ruppe Hosiery, Kings Mountain.

She is survived by her parents Marshall and Ethel Whetstone Wells of Kings Mountain; daughter Julie Horn Hicks and husband Eric of Kings Mountain; brothers Steve Wells and Don Wells, both of Kings Mountain; sisters Vickie Wells of Kings Mountain and Elaine Walters of Shelby; grandchild Erica Hicks.

The funeral was conducted Wednesday at Family Worship Center, Church of God, at 2 pm by the Rev. Roger Woodard. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Shelby 28150.

## SUSIE BARBER

KINGS MOUNTAIN- Susie Taylor Moore Barber, 69, 300 Fairview Street, died September 14, 1999 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late William Hunter and Dora Mae Hudson Taylor. She was also preceded in death by her husband R.T. Moore and her brothers Charles Taylor and Doyt Taylor. She was a member of Midview Baptist Church in Kings Mountain and a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband Fred Barber of Kings Mountain; son Timothy Moore of Kings Mountain; daughter Christine Moore Faircloth and husband John of Earl, N.C.; brother Hunter Leroy Taylor of Kings Mountain; sisters Addie Mae Reynolds of Bessemer City, and Aileen McBride of Winston-Salem; grandchildren Emily Rebecca Faircloth, Matthew Reuben Faircloth.

A graveside service will be conducted Thursday at 3 pm at Antioch Baptist Church cemetery by the Rev. Bob Hope and J.D. Adams.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## SYLVIA PETERSON

KINGS MOUNTAIN- Sylvia Gregg Peterson, 54, 236 Wright Rd., died September 8, 1999 at Wendover Hospice in Shelby.

A native of Cherokee County, she was the daughter of the late Dewey and Syvilla Gilliland Gregg. She was also preceded in death by her son, Dinky Peterson. She was employed by the U.S. Post Office in Kings Mountain, and was a member of Lighthouse Pentecostal Holiness Church.

She is survived by her husband Jerry L. Peterson of Kings Mountain; daughter Tammy Peterson Denton of Kings Mountain; brothers Dewey Gregg of Kings Mountain, and Winston Gregg of Blacksburg, S.C.; sisters Ruby Witt of Greenville, S.C., and Geraldine Pruitt of Columbia, S.C.; grandchildren Christopher Camp, Parlee Deaton, and Angel Deaton.

A graveside service was held Friday at 11 am at Mountain Rest Cemetery. Rev. Darrell Alexander officiated.

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

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## FRANCES BLANTON

SHELBY- Frances Margretta Hicks Blanton, 79, 1614 Red Road, died September 8, 1999 at Cleveland Pines Nursing Center.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late Joseph Grason Hicks and Minnie Bessless Ware Hicks. She was also preceded in death by brothers John Hicks, Herbert Hicks, and Charles Hicks. She was a homemaker and a member of Crestview Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband of the home James E. Blanton, Jr.; son and his wife James E. Blanton and Vicki P. Blanton of Shelby; daughter and her husband Sara B. Lemons and Billy of Shelby; daughter Barbara B. Hendrick of Gastonia; brothers Robert Hicks of Des Moines, Iowa, and Jack Hicks of Waukesha, Wisconsin; sisters Nina Parks of Morgantown, N.C., Lib Dwyer of Blacksburg, Virginia, Verna Pressley of Blacksburg, South Carolina, Becky Stewart of Kings Mountain, Ruth Allison of Black Mountain, N.C., Melba Hemmings of Rural Hill, N.C., Shirley Adams of Spartanburg, S.C.; grandsons Jarrett Blanton and Christopher Blanton of Shelby; granddaughter and her husband Michele Lemons Bjerg and Joe of Concord.

The funeral was conducted Saturday at 2 pm at Crestview Baptist Church by the Rev. Stanley Webb. Burial was in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Crestview Baptist Church, 1090 Old Boiling Springs Road, Shelby 28152.

## RAYMOND BULLARD

KINGS MOUNTAIN- Raymond T. Bullard, 80, 406 Tate Terrace, died September 8, 1999 at home.

A native of Garden Valley, Texas, he was the son of the late C.R. and Samantha Jane Parton Bullard. He was also preceded in death by his daughter Betty Jean Bullard Brindle. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a member of Missionary Methodist Church in Kings Mountain and the Serenity Club for 14 years.

He is survived by his wife Mozelle Lovelace Bullard of Kings Mountain; sons John L.

Bullard and wife Gena of Aster, Florida, and Captain Raymond C. Bullard and wife Dominica of Niceville, Florida; daughters Linda Bullard Elkins and husband Edward of Rock Hill, S.C., Annie Bullard Lowe and husband Steve of Waco, Texas; sisters Mary Bullard Baker of Waco, Texas, Edna Bullard James of Waco, Texas; twelve grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted Friday at 4 pm at Eastview Baptist Church Cemetery, Rock Hill, S.C., by the Rev. James Hamrick.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## ANNA DUELL

CONCORD, N.C.- Anna H. Duell, 66, 218 W. Maine St., Concord, N.C., died September 8, 1999 at NorthEast Medical Center, Concord.

A native of Marshall, Missouri, she was the daughter of Ada Moeller Sellers of South Port, and the late Richard Huse. She was the wife of the late Warren E. Duell. She was a bus driver for the Kings Mountain school system and a member of Grace Lutheran Church of Bessemer City.

She is survived by her sons David E. Wilder of Lexington, N.C., Larry W. Wilder of Concord, N.C., Gary W. Wilder of Tucson, Arizona, and Paul T. Wilder of Bessemer City, N.C.; also seventeen grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Friday at Hartsell Funeral Home, Concord, at 2 pm by the Rev. Robert Mitschke. Burial was in West Concord Cemetery.

## KM Rescue plans EMT classes

The Kings Mountain Rescue Squad has announced the winners from its Bethware Fair drawing. Winners are: Jeff Nantkes, 27 inch color TV; Seko White, \$100 gift certificate from Harris Teeter; Junior Yarborough, \$50 gift certificate from Winn Dixie; Wendell Bunch, \$25 gift certificate from Food Lion.

The Kings Mountain Rescue Squad would also like to announce that it will be holding EMT classes at its 312 E. Parker Street headquarters beginning September 28 and continuing through mid-February. The classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-10 pm. Classes are open to anyone interested in EMT or medical fields.

For more information on these classes, call Marcia Cash at 937-9291, or Jonie Blanton at 739-1347.

## White reunion set at KM Senior Center

The descendants of Emmitt Franklyn and Georgianna Doggett White will hold their annual reunion Sunday, September 19, 1999 at the Senior Center in Kings Mountain. All family members and family friends are invited.

Paper products will be provided. Lunch will be served at 1 pm. For more information call Iris Biddy at 739-4398 or Jim White at 739-4126.

## Traffic signal installed

Motorists in Kings Mountain who have gotten used to stopping for stop signs at the intersection of Mountain and Battleground probably have noticed a new, blinking caution light.

That blinking light is serving as a warning that the DOT's new traffic light is in place, and within about a week the light will be turned on permanently.

City officials hope the change will help the traffic flow through downtown and across the railroad tracks.

The signalization plan has been a six-month project by the City and Department of Transportation, and is one of the last intersections on a major thoroughfare in North Carolina to be updated with proper railroad signalization.

"This was a particular project that the state has been wanting to set a priority for for a long time," said Kings Mountain City Manager Jimmy Maney. "To get this situation straightened out certainly has taken the liability away from everyone involved."

Maney said citizens should be happy to see the light back in operation, because they'll be able to come through the intersection without having to worry about being stopped on the railroad tracks or having motorists running stop signs.

"We have had about 10 accidents down there since the light came down," he noted. "This will also help us regulate the speed of traffic through the middle of town. Everybody knows we receive a lot of truck traffic going in and out of the mines, and it allows better control of traffic through town."

Maney and city and DOT officials will be meeting again this week to begin working on a traffic plan for the proposed new Senior Center near the intersection of Canterbury Road and Business 74.

The city is going to request a traffic count and study of the intersection to determine what kind of signalization is needed to control the traffic that will be going in and out of the new senior center.

"We are also looking at lowering the speed limit when you get off I-85 and onto Business 74 so you come over the bridge at a reduced rate of speed," Maney said.

"Trucks entering highway" signs may also be erected on Highway 74 business around the new Senior Center site.

## Livermush festival set

Saturday, September 18, from 10 am until 5 pm will see Cleveland Mall's Livermush and BBQ Festival take place.

The event is sponsored by Mack's Livermush, Elmore's Feed and Seed, and the Cleveland County Fair.

Livermush and BBQ vendors will be set up outside the main entrance. Other attractions on this day will include a Harley Motorcycle Show sponsored by the Gastonia Chapter of the Harley Owners Group. Anyone who wishes to enter a motorcycle should contact Mike Melton at 434-6800.

Local dance studios will perform on Center Stage, as well as Michael the Magician. There will be a special performance by the Spontanes featuring Harley Hogg and the Rockers outside in the parking lot of the main entrance beginning at 3 pm. Other attractions on this day include a Livermush Recipe Contest sponsored by Mack's Livermush, and a Calling Contest sponsored by the Cleveland County Fair.

For more information, call the special events hot line at 484-2001 option #3.

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