

OBITUARIES

DOROTHY KRETZER

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Dorothy Pulliam Kretzer, 79, 415 Phifer Road, died February 21, 2000 at her home.

A native of Forsyth County, she was the daughter of the late Roy Chester and Mamie Tatum Kretzer. She was a member of Friedland Moravian Church in Winston-Salem, and the American Orchid Society, West Palm Beach, FL. She was retired from the West Palm Beach School System where she taught at Belvedere Elementary School for 33 years.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Frances Long and Audrey Dickey and husband, James.

She is survived by her sister, Gail Westbrook of West Palm Beach, FL; and by a number of nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. Norris Willis at 10 a.m. Thursday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Entombment will be in WestLawn Gardens and Memory, Clemmons, NC. Visitation will be at the home of Jimmy and Dian Dickey, 415 Phifer Road, Kings Mountain.

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

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

VELMA SISK SEARS

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Velma Sisk Sears, 75, 22A Battleforest Apartments, died February 22, 2000 at Countrytime Inn, Gastonia.

A native of Rutherford County, she was the daughter of the late Horace Greely and Effie Mae Wall Sisk Sr. She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Tommie June Sears, and her brothers, Archie Lee Sisk and Carl "Pud" Sisk. She was retired from Western Carolina Center, Morganton, and worked at NC Orthopedic Hospital until its closing.

She is survived by her sons, Phillip Sears and wife, Sandy, of Clover, SC and Robert "Butch" Sears Jr. and wife, Libby, of Ellenboro; brothers, J.H. Sisk of Ft. Mill, SC and Horace Greely "Dick" Sisk Jr. of Kings Mountain; sisters, Margaret Thomas of Cayce, SC, and Emma Wallace of Kings Mountain; and two grandchildren, Tommie Adrienne Sears and Melissa Ann Sears.

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

Memorials may be made to Western Carolina Center, 300 Enola Road, Morganton, NC 28655 or Holy Angels, Inc., 6600 E. Wilkinson Blvd., Belmont, NC 28012.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

MRS. RAY CORNWELL

SHELBY - Mrs. Ray Cornwell, 93, 212 S. Thompson Street, died February 17, 2000 at Crawley Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Thomas Green and Alpha White Green. She was also preceded in death by two brothers and five sisters. She was a retired supervisor with Southern Bell with over 40 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Pioneer Workers of America, and the

Communication Workers of America.

She is survived by her husband Glenn Cornwell of the home and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted Saturday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel at 3 p.m. by Drs. Robert Canoy and Christopher White. Burial was in Zion Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 120 N. Lafayette Street, Shelby 28150. Cleveland Funeral Services served the family.

FREDDY HAMBRIGHT

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Frederick Dixon "Freddy" Hambright, 58, 307 Maner Road, died February 20, 2000 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Kings Mountain, he was the son of the late Claude Hoyte Hambright. He was retired from FMC Corp. He was a member of Boyce Memorial ARP Church, FMC Century Club, and served in the Army Reserve.

He is survived by his wife, Kay Mullinax Hambright of Kings Mountain; son, Charles Lowry "Chip" Hambright and wife, Ansley, of Kings Mountain; mother, Evelyn Pursley Hambright of Kings Mountain; and sister, Jane Hambright Branton and her husband, Robert, of Shelby.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Doug Petersen and Roger Woodard at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Harris Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to White Oak Manor, Activity Dept., 716 Sipes Street, Kings Mountain 28086 or to the church of the donor's choice.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

CAROLYN BULLA

LEXINGTON, N.C. - Carolyn Hartley Bulla, 60, Riverview Blvd., died February 20, 2000 at her home.

A native of Watauga County, she was the daughter of the late Ernest Lindsay Hartley and Dorsie Matney Hartley. She was also preceded in death by her husband the late Jerry F. Bulla and a brother John Thomas Hartley. She was a homemaker and a member of Westside Baptist Church.

She is survived by daughter Alisa Bulla Greene and husband Jimmy, Lori Bulla Owens and husband Gary, and Jennifer and husband Ted all of Lexington; grandchildren Mandy and Lauren Greene and Alec and Hailey Phelps; brothers Keith Hartley and wife Becky and Ansel Hartley and wife Betty both of Shelby; sisters Evelyn Grigg of Morganton; Joyce Hampton and husband Wayne; Kay Fletcher and husband Bob of Boone.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Davidson Funeral Home Lexington Chapel by the Revs. Glenn Sanford and Jimmy Greene. Burial was in Forest Hill Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Davidson County, PO Box 1941, Lexington, N.C. 27293.

CHUCK RULEY

KINGS MOUNTAIN -

Charles "Chuck" Ruley, 63, 403 York Road, died Wednesday, February 16, 2000 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte

from complication from an automobile accident.

A native of Cabell County, WV, he was the son of the late Lowen Hume and Mabel Dille Ruley. He was employed with Duke Power at the Catawba Nuclear Station since operation started in 1985. He graduated from Marshville University, Huntington, WV and was a member of the Mountain Lanes Duckpin Bowling Association. He served in the United States Army.

He is survived by his wife, Irene Hyatt Ruley of Kings Mountain; sons, Charles Mark Ruley and wife, Lois, of Croydon, PA, and Robert Matthew Ruley and wife, Suzanne, of Palm Harbor, FL; and grandchildren, Daniel Ruley, David Ruley, Dwight Ruley, Peter Ruley and James Ruley.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Barry Philbeck at 3 p.m. Saturday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

HAZEL SMITH

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Hazel Wright Smith, 86 120 Cloninger Street, died February 21, 2000 at White Oak Manor.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late De'Kossie Moore and Sarah Elizabeth Hoyle Wright. She was also preceded in death by her husband the late Presley Richard Smith and her brother Ray Wright. She was the longest living member of Macedonia Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, and was retired from Margrace Mill.

She is survived by her sons Harley Smith and wife Sybil of Charlotte, Cecil B. Smith of Charlotte, Bobby G. Smith and wife Charlotte of Shelby, and Holland P. Smith and wife Jacquelyn of Bessemer City; daughters Alberta Moore and husband Robert of Kings Mountain and Peggy Henderson of Kings Mountain; brothers Clayton Wright of Gaffney, S.C. Calvin Wright of Cherryville, Jack Wright of Asheville, Curtis Wright of Gainesville, Florida; sisters Bonnie Ford of Kings Mountain, Dot Gann of Kings Mountain, Madge Early of Kings Mountain, Annette Cooper of Kings Mountain; also 14 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at 3 p.m. by the Revs. David Philbeck, Tom Patterson, and Mike Chambers. Burial will be in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery.

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

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

SYLVIA MORGAN

BESSEMER CITY - Sylvia Hill Morgan, 65, 903 N. 7th St., died February 19, 2000 at her home.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late Garnet and Ada Shubert Hill and wife of the late Rufus L. Morgan. She was retired from Reeves Brothers Osage Plant after more than 25 years of service. She was a member of Bethea United Methodist Church where she formerly was a Sunday School teacher.

She is survived by her sons and daughter-in-law, Roger and Sherri Crisp of Shelby and Jim Crisp of Dallas; daughter and son-in-law, Elaine and Scott Patterson of the home; brothers and their wives, Roger and Verla Hill, J.C. and Liz Hill, all of Kings Mountain, Ronnie and Evelyn Hill of McCoy, TX, and Howard and Charlene Hill of Bessemer City; sisters and their husbands, Betty Koonce, Vivian and Earl Landers, Cindy and Wayne McMillan, all of Bessemer City; grandchildren and spouse, Christina and Byron Bridges of Bessemer City, Jaclyn Crisp of Shelby, Russell Crisp of Dallas, Deana Lawing of Gastonia, and Alex Patterson of Bessemer City.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Jerry Lumston and Frank Herman at 11 a.m. Monday at Bethea United Methodist Church. Burial was in Bessemer City Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Brick and Zac Hill, Patrick Butler, Russell Crisp, Todd Landers, and Howard Grindstaff.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Gaston County, P.O. Box 3984, Gastonia, NC 28054. Sisk-Butler Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SARA FULTON

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Sara Nell Hord Fulton, 91, resident of 102 S. Gaston Street, died February 21, 2000 at Carolina Care Center, Cherryville, N.C.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late David Fletcher Hord, Sr. and Fanny Violet Spake Hord. She was the wife of former Kings Mountain mayor and longtime funeral director the late H. Tom Fulton. She was also preceded in death by her brother Dr. D.F. Hord, Jr. She was formerly associated with D.F. Hord Furniture in Kings Mountain. She was a member of Kings Mountain Baptist Church and member of the Women's Club, Chapel Hill, Tennessee.

She is survived by sister Sue H. Moss of Kings Mountain; nieces Susan Grigg of Raleigh, George Ann Marston of LaJolla, California, Sara Nell Wright of Cary, N.C., Mary Jo Whitley of Winston-Salem, Barbara Fulton of Kings Mountain, Nancy Bunch of Asheboro, N.C. Anne Gamble of Kings Mountain; nephews David Hord of China Grove, N.C., and Norman McGill of Kings Mountain; also numerous great nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel by the Rev. Olin Byrum. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Kings Mountain Baptist Church, 101 W. Mountain Street, Kings Mountain 28086.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

CHARLES SCOTT

GROVER - Charles Douglas "Doug" Scott, Sr., 107 Keeter Street, died February 15, 2000 at Cleveland Regional Hospital.

A native of Decatur, TN, he was the son of the late John Edgar and Nancy Lee Scott. He was also preceded in death by his son, Neil Scott.

He was a member of True Gospel Holiness Church, Kings Mountain, was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean War, and was a retired textile employee.

He is survived by his wife, Meredith Scott of Grover; son, Charles Douglas Scott Jr. of Cleveland, OH; daughters, Nancy Lee Parrish of Elyria, OH and Melinda White of Grover; sisters, Ann Johnson, Lena Tate, and Betty Wicks, all of Crossville, TN; 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Jerry Helms at 2 p.m. Friday at True Gospel Holiness Church, Kings Mountain. Burial was in Bethel Baptist Church cemetery, Ellenboro.

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

MARY AKEYSON

SHELBY - Mary Elizabeth Akeyson, 87, 2028 S. Morgan Street, died February 19, 2000 at her home.

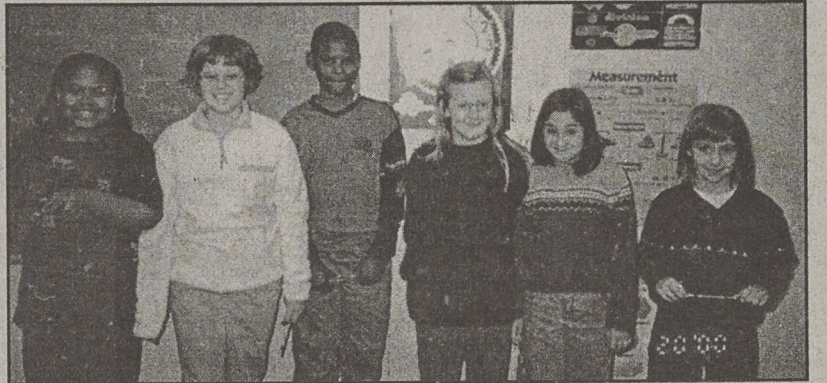
A native of Holton, Kansas, she was the daughter of the late Charles Edwards and Mary Jane Elder Dack and the wife of the late Esmond Edville Akeyson. She was also preceded in death by her daughter Linda Diane Gaeta. She was a retired floor manager with Neisners Brothers. She was a member of Lafayette Street United Methodist Church and Daytime Friends at the Senior Center.

She is survived by her son and daughter in law Edward William and Jo Akeyson of Irving, Texas; daughters and sons in law Donna and Ken Timson of Shelby, and Mary Jean and Max Stadie of Chandler, Arizona; also 12 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Clay Barnette Chapel. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Daytime Friends, Senior Center, Shelby 28150.

Clay Barnette Funeral Home served the family.



WEST FOURTH GRADE A/B HONOR ROLL - Top photo, left to right, Leslie Boyd, Kim Bumgardner, Daniel Gill, Brianna Green, Heather Rudnick, Katie Whitesides. Middle photo, Michael Bell, Jennifer Brandstetter, Brittany Hale, Hannah Locke, Kiara Myles, Paul Philavong. Bottom photo, first row, Kelli Bolt, Luke Breakfield, Jordan Childers, Laura Ashley Gaffney, John Michael Hinson. Back row, Chris Heffner, Brianna Pharr, Amanda Still, Elizabeth Thammachack.



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