

# OBITUARIES

**HARRIETTE MAUNEY WILMINGTON** - Harriette Rhinehardt Mauney, 84, 615 Sandfiddler Pointe, died Thursday, June 22, 2000 at the Lower Cape Fear Hospice Care Center.



MAUNEY

A native of Buffalo, SC, she was the daughter of the late John L. and Nellie Belle Wilburn Rhinehardt, and was the widow of Joseph S. Mauney.

While living in Spindale, she was active in the Methodist Church. Later, she was instrumental in organizing the Advent Lutheran Church, a mission church, serving on the Church Council, teaching Sunday School, and singing in the church choir. She was also a member of Spindale Woman's Club, where she was Woman of the Year in 1953, and she was pianist for the Eastern Star.

In 1959, she became a librarian with the Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, until her retirement. Upon moving to Raeford, she was active in the United Methodist Church and woman's club. In 1994, she moved to Wilmington and became a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Church Women.

She is survived by her daughters, Jo An Moses and husband, Bill, of Seven Lakes and Nell Ostby and husband, Lon, of Wilmington; brothers, J.B. Rhinehardt of Winnsboro, SC, W.A. Rhinehardt of Durham, and John L. Rhinehardt of Charlotte; sisters-in-laws, and numerous nieces and nephews; and grandchildren, Sara "Cissy" Wood, John O. Moses, Robert W. Moses, James M. Moses, Paul E. Ostby, Joseph M. Ostby, and Daniel P. Ostby; and great-grandchildren, Austin Wood, Tyler Moses, Olivia Moses, Victoria Moses, and Nicole Ostby.

A memorial service was conducted by the Revs. John Misenheimer and Mark Opgrand at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. Interment was in St. Paul's Memorial Garden.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Andrews Mortuary Market Street Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

**MARIA O. SUAREZ LINCOLNTON** - Maria E. Ospina Suarez, 44, 134 Star Light Drive, died June 21, 2000 at Gaston Memorial Hospital, Gastonia.

She was a native of Colombia, South America and a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Gastonia. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her parents, Jesus Antonio and Elvia Rosa Teljade Ospina of Colombia, South America; daughters, Jennifer and Stacey Suarez of Lincolnton; brothers, Edilson and Henry Ospina of Kings Mountain; sisters, Gladys and Cenia Ospina of Colombia, Doris Ospina of Kings Mountain, and Hilda

Ospina of Gastonia.

A Rosary prayer service was held at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Greene Funeral Service Southside Chapel, Gastonia, and Mass was held at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Gastonia.

Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

**WALTER EDWIN "ED" BABB KINGS MOUNTAIN** - Walter Edwin "Ed" Babb, 70, 1203 Gold Street Extension, died Wednesday, June 21, 2000 at Wendover Hospice, Shelby.

A native of Toccoa, GA, he was the son of the late Edgar Epps Babb. He was also preceded in death by two sisters, Carolyn B. Howell and Patricia B. Cox.

He was a member of David Baptist Church where he formerly served as a Deacon. He also served in the United States Army. He was retired from Carolina Freight Carriers Corp. as a mechanic.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Lovelace Babb of Kings Mountain; sons, Kenneth Walter Babb of Shelby and Darrell Wayne Whetstone and wife, Wanda, of Kings Mountain; daughter, Denise Sessoms and husband, Don, of Kings Mountain; mother, Anis Mosley Babb of Kannapolis; brother Bill D. Babb and wife, Betty, of Kannapolis; sister, Ramona Babb Amole of Gloucester, VA; six grandchildren, Lori Scruggs, Kelly Peppers, Brian Whetstone, Chad Whetstone, Christy Whetstone and Shane Sessoms; and one great-grandchild, Ridge Scruggs.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Jody Griffin at 2 p.m. Saturday at David Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

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

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**MISSOURI MORGAN KINGS MOUNTAIN** - Mrs. Missouri Morgan, 92, 304 West King Street, died Monday, June 19, 2000 at Brian Center, Gastonia.

She was a native of Kings Mountain. She was a retired school teacher, having taught at John Chavis and East Elementary School in Cherryville for 37 years. She was a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University and Winston-Salem State University, and was a member of Mount Zion Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Delois M. Murphy of the home; son and daughter-in-law, Harold C. Morgan and Alice R. Morgan of Charlotte; grandson and wife, Timothy C. and Tina C. Morgan of Charlotte; sister-in-law, Eloise Jackson of Kings Mountain; and great-grandchildren, Shatina and Terri Morgan of Charlotte.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. C.A. Feemster at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24, 2000 at Mount Zion Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Withrow's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**THELMA WILLIAMS KINGS MOUNTAIN** - Thelma D. Williams, 66, 313 North Gaston Street, died Friday, June 23, 2000 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center, Shelby.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Paul Daves and Ruby Phillips Daves. She was also predeceased by her brother, Robert Daves, and her husband, Hugh Williams Jr.

She was a homemaker and a member of Midview Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter and her husband, Freda W. and Ronnie Tesseneer of Goldsboro; son, Michael K. Williams of Kings Mountain; son and his wife, David M. and Fay Williams of Kings Mountain; sisters and their husbands, Carolyn and Oscar Hullender of Wrightsville Beach, Elaine and Richard White of Blacksburg, SC, and Dorothy and Floyd Hamrick of Rock Hill, SC; sister, Frances Byers of Shelby; brothers and their wives, Charles and Joann Daves and J.C. and Carolyn Daves of Shelby; sister-in-law, Kathleen Daves of Florida; grandchildren, Jason Williams and Matthew Williams of Kings Mountain, and Tammy Tesseneer and Robbie Tesseneer of Goldsboro; and great-grandchildren, Thomas Dever, James Dever, Mason Dever and Haley Strickland, all of Goldsboro.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Bob Hope and Michael Dixon at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Midview Baptist Church. Burial was in New Camp Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

**J.D. UPCHURCH GROVER** - Jack D. "J.D." Upchurch, 67, 106 McGinnis Drive, formerly of Kings Mountain, died Sunday, June 25, 2000 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cherokee County, SC, he was the son of the late Judson and Grace McAbee Upchurch. He was a member of Faith Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, and Odus D. Greene Post 155 of the American Legion where he worked for over 30 years. He was retired from Kings Mountain Brick Company.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Lula Mullinax Wilson.

He is survived by Doris Ann Parrish; son, David E. Upchurch of McConnells, SC; daughters, Elizabeth Ann Kerna of Kings Mountain, Norma Upchurch Moore of Cheraw, SC, and Penny Upchurch Hamrick of Grover; brother, Jack Upchurch of Gaffney, SC; sisters, Elsie Mullinax of Gaffney, SC and Faye Bell of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Michelle G. Short, Stephanie Bradley Moore, Jada Hamrick, Ashley Hamrick and Brandon Hamrick; and two great-grandchildren, Alexis and Brooklyn Short.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. J.R. Robbins and James Hamrick at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**LINDA W. BENTON KINGS MOUNTAIN** - Linda Wilson Benton, 44, 302 Ebenezer Road, died June 20, 2000 at Hospice of Cleveland County, Shelby.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late Arthur Lee and Eloise Byers Wilson. She was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son, Landon R. Benton of the home; sister, Brenda S. Wilson of the home; grandson, Jaylen I. Whitworth of Hickory; nephew, Brenton D. Wilson of Kings Mountain; and goddaughter, Bobbie S. Byers of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Ernest Simons at 4 p.m. Saturday at Ebenezer Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 953 Wendover Heights Drive Shelby, NC 28150.

J.W. Gill & Sons Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**WILLIAM WRIGHT STARTEX, SC** - William James Albert Wright, 65, 42 Chestnut Street, died Friday, June 23, 2000 at his home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late William Albert and Ellen Gordon Wright. He was a member of Tucapau Baptist Church and was employed by Span Packaging Company. He retired after 22 years in the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Guy Wright of the home; sons, Eric Wright of Kings Mountain, Darel Bentley of Duncan, SC, and Tony Bentley of Moore, SC; daughter, Amanda Wright of the home; brothers, Paul Wright of Pacolet, SC, Saul Wright and Job Wright of Cowpens, SC, and Rev. Silas Wright of Spartanburg, SC; sisters, Mary Lydia Waters of Kings Mountain and Sarah Coggins of Cowpens, SC; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. Bill Pate and the Revs. Kenneth Sanford and J.H. Mannond at 4 p.m. Monday at Tucapau Baptist Church. Burial with full military rites was at Ft. Prince Memorial Gardens in Wellford, SC.

Memorials may be made to Tucapau Baptist Church, 4 Chestnut Street, Startex, SC. Wood Mortuary, Grier, SC, was in charge of arrangements.

**TINA CLARY SHELBY** - Mrs. Tina Toney Clary, 26, 841 East Zion Church Road, died June 23, 2000 at Duke University Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of Vance Wayne Toney and Audrey Bridges Toney of King Mountain. She is also survived by her husband, Joey Dwayne Clary of the home; sister, Amy Toney of Kings Mountain; and special friend, Holly York of Shelby.

She was a receptionist with Crawley Memorial Hospital, and was a member of Christopher Road Baptist Church.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Mickey Heyward, Dennis Helms and Marvin Greene at 3 p.m. Monday at Christopher Road Baptist Church.

**LEONARD SMITH SR. KINGS MOUNTAIN** - Leonard Alvin Smith Sr., 84, 807 Floyd Street, died Friday, June 23, 2000 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cherokee County, NC, he was the son of the late William Fletcher Jr. and Eldie Holland Smith. He was also predeceased by his first wife, Hazel Moore Smith; brothers, Clarence "Grassy" Smith and William Fletcher Smith Jr.; and sisters, Dessie Farley and Essie Cable.

He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of World War II. He was employed by Sadie Mill in Kings Mountain for 48 years, serving as Plant Manager and Superintendent. He was a member of Eastside Baptist Church and Eastside Men's Bible Class, and was a member of American Legion Post 155.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Chapman Smith; sons and daughters-in-law, Leonard A. Smith Jr. and Jackie of Greenwood, SC; Rodney and Patricia Smith of Cherryville; stepsons, Johnny and Wanda McLeymore, Darryl and Nina McLeymore, Jeff McLeymore and fiancée Wendy Morris, all of Cherryville; daughters and sons-in-law, Joyce and Bill Metcalf of Clover, SC, Glenda and John Newell of Matthews; sisters, Mable Ross and Willie Cable, both of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Warren Newell, Brian Newell, Mickey Metcalf, Darlene Gardiner, Jason Smith, Melinda Hicks and Trae Smith; great-grandchildren, Tracy Gardiner, Nikki Gardiner, Ashley Newell, John Newell, and Griffin Hicks; step-grandchildren, Eric W. McLeymore, Blake McLeymore, Brandy McLeymore, Justin McLeymore, Dekota McLeymore, Kallie Ingle; and great-great-grandchild, Jonathon Tippins.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Eugene Land, Dale Thornburg and Augustine Lara at 11 a.m. Monday at Eastside Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Harvey Allen, Ray Canipe, Calvin Payne, Jack Rayfield, Larry Rayfield and Don Starnes. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Sunday School class.

Memorials may be made to Eastside Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

Greene Funeral Service Westside Chapel, Gastonia, was in charge of arrangements.

**EVIE BRACKETT SHELBY** - Mrs. Evie Edmondson Bell Brackett, 96, 401 N. Morgan St., died June 25, 2000 at White Oak Manor.

A native of Hall County, GA, she was the daughter of the late Marion Franklin and Katie Nevada Keys Edmondson, and wife of the late Fred Alexander Bell and the late Raymond Brackett. She was also predeceased by her daughter, Dorothy L. Black.

She was a member of Second Baptist Church, and was a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughter, Frances B. Lewis of Myrtle Beach, SC; brother and sister-in-law, Boyd and Esther Edmondson of Shelby; and stepdaughter, Mozelle Willis of Shelby.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. R.A. Brackett at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Clay-Barnette

Chapel. Burial was in Zoar Baptist Church cemetery.

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**JODY WRIGHT CHERRYVILLE** - Mrs. Jody Woods Wright, 87, Carolina Care Center, formerly of Shelby, died June 24, 2000 at Carolina Care Center.

A native of Tifton, GA, she was the daughter of the late William Benjamin and Sarah Jackson Woods, and wife of the late Forrest Paul Wright. She was also predeceased by her brothers, J.E. and Woodrow Woods; daughter, Grace Wright Palmer; and sister, Jewel Woods Towery.

She was a homemaker and member of Zion Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Faith Sunday School Class and Zoe Lutz Circle.

She is survived by her sons, Carroll Dean Wright, William Thomas Wright, and Paul Dennis Wright, all of Shelby; daughter, Sarah Wright Wilson of Fort Mill, SC; brothers, Ted Woods and Bill Woods of Shelby, Jim Woods and Clyde Woods of Ocala, FL, and Robert Woods of Fort Payne, AL; 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Russell Fitts at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Zion Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

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

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**SHEILA HENSLEY GREENVILLE, SC** - Sheila Sutherland Hensley, 46, formerly of Marion, NC, died June 23, 2000 at her residence.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late Chapel Richard Sutherland and Eunice Sprouse Sutherland. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Randy B. Hensley of the home; son, Richard Deaton of Simpsonville, SC; daughter, Leslie Deaton of Greenville, SC; sister, Betty Lou Turner of Marion; brothers, Rick Sutherland, Billy Sutherland, and Bobby Sutherland, all of Kings Mountain; and four grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Dennis Hensley at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Westmoreland Chapel in Marion, NC. Burial was in McDowell Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Chrones Foundation. Westmoreland Funeral Home, Marion, NC, was in charge of arrangements.

## Christian book publisher opens

Dr. E.G. Thompson, President of Carolina University of Theology, has announced the opening of a new publishing company, Universal Publishing Inc., located at 436 Chase Road, Iron Station.

The company publishes Christian-related books that are distributed by Christian Distribution Services of LaVerne, TN to all national chains.

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