

OBITUARIES

VERGIE MOONEY

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Mrs. Vergie Hicks Mooney, 87, White Oak Manor, formerly of Patterson Springs, died Thursday, June 29, 2000.

A native of Ewart, NC, she was the daughter of the late James and Martha Wise Hicks and was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Shelby.

She is survived by her husband, Marcus B. Mooney of White Oak Manor; son, M.B. Mooney of Gaffney, SC; brother, Carroll Hicks of Stanley; and sister, Bertie Harris of Erwin, TN.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Bobby Cable at 3 p.m. Saturday at Oakland Cemetery, Gaffney, SC.

Memorials may be made to Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 1886, Gaffney, SC 29342.

White Columns Funeral Service, Gaffney, SC, was in charge of arrangements.

PEGGY S. HENDERSON

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Peggy S. Henderson, 62, 120 Cloninger Street, died Thursday, June 29, 2000 at Hospice at Wendover.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Pressley Richard and Hazel Wright Smith, and wife of the late Lonnie Henderson Jr. She was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church.

She is survived by her brothers, Holland Smith of Bessemer City, Harley Smith and Boyd Smith of Charlotte, and Bobby Smith of Shelby; sister, Alberta Moore of Kings Mountain; and a number of nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Mike Chambers at 1 p.m. Saturday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 952 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

LAWRENCE THACKER

SHELBY - Lawrence Michael Thacker, 27, 136 McBrayer Homestead Road, died July 2, 2000 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.

A native of Orlando, FL, he was predeceased by his grandparents, Pauline and Lawrence Thacker; and his aunt, Patricia Ayers.

He was a carpet installer for Cleveland Floor Covering and was a member of Alcoholics Anonymous.

He is survived by his mother, Irene Duffer of Spanish Fork, Utah; father, James Kenser of Tampa, FL; wife, Michelle Thacker of the home; daugh-

ters, Brandy and Megan Thacker of the home; grandparents, Calvin and Pearl Cooper of Shelby; sister, Jamie Kenser of Spanish Fork, Utah; brother, Stephen Thacker of Spanish Fork, Utah; friend, Ed Noggle of Shelby; and mother-in-law, Gail Hollifield of the home.

The funeral was conducted by Pastor Robert A. Wagner at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel. Burial was in Lattimore Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cleveland Funeral Services Inc. was in charge of arrangements.

JUANITA PETERS

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Juanita Erwood Peters, 73, died Thursday, June 29, 2000 at Brian Center, Lincolnton.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late W.L. Erwood and the late Gertrude Jones Erwood. She was also predeceased by her son, Danny K. Payne, and her brother, Carl Creedmore of Gastonia. She was a Baptist and a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughter, Jean Marie Porter and husband, Tim L. Porter of Virginia Beach, VA; grandchildren, Michael and Nathan Porter of Virginia Beach, VA; and sisters, Jennie Erwood Lynn and Jane Erwood Martin, both of Kings Mountain.

A graveside service will be held later at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

PRUE STYERS

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Prue Weaver Styers, 81, 222 Fulton Street, died Sunday, July 2, 2000 in Cherryville.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late Cletus and Lizzie Homesley Weaver and wife of the late Loyd Durham Styers. She was retired from Rex Mills, Ranlo Plant, Ranlo. She was a charter member of Free Saints Chapel, Cherryville, where she served as a Trustee.

She is survived by her sister, Ruby W. Jenkins of Crouse, and a number of nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Charles Swicegood and Rudy Robinson at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Free Saints Church, P.O. Box 11, Self Street, Cherryville, NC 28021.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

LUELLA SHORT

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Luella Hudson Short, 87, 109 Benfield Road, died Wednesday, June 28, 2000 at her home.

A native of Rutherford County, she was the daughter of the late Frank Benjamin and Florida Hopper Hudson, and wife of the late Oscar Cleo Short. She was a charter member of Second Baptist Church and was a retired employee of Craftspun Mills.

She is survived by her daughters, Teresa Short Stacey and husband, Ronnie, of Shelby and Judy Short Grindstaff and husband, Ralph, of Kings Mountain; granddaughters, Paula Grindstaff Lawrence and husband, Danny, of Gastonia; and great-granddaughters, Heather, Holly and Erika Lawrence, all of Gastonia.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Mike Dixon, Eugene Land and James Williams at 11 a.m. Friday at Second Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 952 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MICHAEL BENNETT

BLACKSBURG, SC - Michael Jacob Bennett, 53, 222 Jones Street, formerly of Shelby, died June 27, 2000 at Carolinas Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Henry Wilson Bennett Jr. He was employed as a truck driver with Conway Truck Load Service and was a member of Dover Baptist Church.

He was a graduate of Cherryville High School. He coached the Marion School football team, American Legion baseball and in the City Park Baseball League.

He is survived by his mother, Juanita Huffstetler Bennett Hill of Cherryville; stepfather, Roland Hill of Cherryville; sons, Michael Bennett Jr. and wife, Michelle Candy; Gary Dean Bennett and wife, Kathryn; and Henry Jason Bennett and wife, Tracey, all of Shelby; daughters, Kristy Bennett Dixon and Dana Lynn Bennett of Shelby; brothers, Rocky Bennett and wife, Lynn, of Cherryville and Bobby Bennett and wife, Teresa, of Alexis; sisters, Mary Anne Bennett and Sherry and Jerry Hayes of Cherryville; grandsons, Gary Michael Bennett, Jacob Arnold Bennett and Dalton Cole Bennett; seven granddaughters, Amber Marie Bennett, Beverly Ann Bennett,

Bailey Michelle Bennett, Taylor Mackenzie Dixon, Kelsea Savannah Dixon, Kennedy Diana Dixon, Hannah Nichole Dixon; and one girl on the way, Karson Elaine Bennett.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Ervin Price and Don Horn at 11 a.m. Friday at Mulls Memorial Baptist Church. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Cherryville American Legion Stadium Fund, 215 N. Pink St., Cherryville, NC 28021.

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home, Shelby, was in charge of arrangements.

HARLEY COSTNER

INDIAN TRAIL - Harley Lee Costner, 78, formerly of Kings Mountain, died June 30, 2000 at Lake Park Health Care.

He was the son of the late Marshall A. and Sallie Hullender Costner. He was also predeceased by his wives, Myrtle C. Costner and Becky Riddle Costner.

He is survived by his son, Marshall Costner of Pineville; stepsons, Manuel Costner and John Riddle of Columbia, SC; brothers, Everette Costner of Rockingham, Archie Costner of Spartanburg, SC, and Loy Costner of St. Joseph, MO; sisters, Nell C. Falls and Dorothy C. Champion of Kings Mountain; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 11 a.m. Monday at McEwen Funeral Home, Monroe.

Interment was in Monroe. Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, and McEwen Funeral Home, Monroe, were in charge of arrangements.

MAVIS HOPPER

SHELBY - Mavis Hamrick Hopper, 67, 1627 Red Road, died July 4, 2000 at Mary Black Memorial Hospital, Spartanburg, S.C.

A native of Spartanburg County, she was the daughter of the late Clarence William Atkins and Essie Silvers Hamrick. She was also predeceased in death by her first husband Charles C. Hamrick. She was a member of Landmark Baptist Church and a retired operator at Hoechst Celanese.

She is survived by her husband Clyde Hopper of Shelby; daughter and her husband Karen H. Emery and Michael; daughter and her husband Sherry H. Ivey and Dennis of Gaffney, S.C.; son Charles Dale Hamrick of Shelby; sister Cornelia Champion of Fingerville, S.C.; sister and her husband Frances Nodine and Romeo of Fingerville; step son and his wife Mike Hopper and Paula of Grover; step son Ricky Hopper of Grover; granddaughters Kristin Holcomb of Gaffney, Airman Kimberly Emery of Charleston, S.C.; grandsons Travis Dixon of Shelby, Kevin Dixon of Gaffney, Phillip Hamrick and Timmy Hamrick both of Shelby; also

three great grandchildren, six step grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 3 p.m., at Landmark Baptist Church by the Revs. Allen Davis and Bill Hannon. Burial will be in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 394, Shelby, N.C. 28150.

Cleveland Funeral Services handled the arrangements.

ZEB BLANTON JR.

SHELBY - Zeb Vance Blanton Jr., 82, 424 Poplar Springs Church Road, died June 28, 2000 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Zeb Vance Blanton Sr. and Ollie J. Blanton. He was also predeceased by his daughters, Mary and Martha Blanton; son, Zeb Vance Blanton III; brothers, Carl Blanton, Don Blanton, Glenn Blanton and Charles Blanton; and sisters, Louise Hamrick, Beuna Hamrick, Thelma Blanton and Ethel McMurry.

He was a retired salesman for Pilot Life Insurance Company and retired operator of Village Pantry.

He was a lifelong member of Sharon United Methodist Church and the Adult Sunday School class. He was Lay Person of the Year in 1990, United Methodist Men's President in 1989-1999, Sunday School Supt., Administrative Council 1981-2000 and chairman from 1981-85, Lay Leader from 1976-77, Trustee from 1984-88, District Officer, and also served on various committees.

He is survived by his wife, Susie C. Blanton of the home; daughters and son-in-law, Shirley and Bobby Pyron and Debbie Pyron of Shelby; son and daughters-in-law, Tony and Hilda Blanton and Betty Taylor Blanton of Shelby; brothers, Howard and Gene Blanton of Shelby; sister, Beatrice Beam of Shelby; grandsons and wives, Carl and Mary Blanton, Gene and Alice Pyron and Todd and Nora Blanton, all of Shelby; granddaughters and husband, Gwen and Tim Triplett and Laura Burgin of Shelby, and Rhonda Smith of Waynesville; great-grandchildren, Casey and Hunter Francis, Jodi and Jessie Blanton, and Aaron and Rebecca Triplett; and step great-grandchildren, Tim, Tony and Charlie Luckadoo.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Robin Kingston, Gary Ferrell and Charles Gibbons at 4 p.m. Friday at Sharon United Methodist Church. Burial was in Sharon United Methodist Church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Sharon United Methodist Church Building Fund or Viola

Nolan Blanton Scholarship Fund, 871 College Road, Shelby, NC 28152, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

CLAUSTON BUMGARDNER

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Clauston Earl Bumgardner, 71, of Las Vegas, NV, died Monday, July 3, 2000 in Las Vegas.

He was a native of Kings Mountain. He was a construction electrician and was a member of the Electrician's Union IBEW #357 Las Vegas, NV.

He moved to Las Vegas, NV in 1962 and had resided there for 37 years.

He is survived by his wife, Doris Jean Bumgardner of Las Vegas, NV; son, Randy Bumgardner of Las Vegas, NV; and three grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, NV on Saturday, July 8. A service was also held at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel, Kings Mountain, on Wednesday, July 5 at 11 a.m.

Interment will be in Paradise Memorial Gardens, Las Vegas, NV.

Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, and Davis Paradise Valley Funeral Home, Las Vegas, NV, were in charge of arrangements.

KATHY HEMENWAY

BLACKSBURG, S.C. - Kathy Prince Hemenway, 39, 158 Mill Creek Road, died June 27, 2000 at home.

A native of Flint, Michigan, she was the wife of Jeffrey Hemenway and daughter of Frank Noel Prince of Mount Airy, N.C., and Brenda Morgan Winesett of Blacksburg. She attended Hopewell Baptist Church, Blacksburg.

In addition to her husband and parents, she is survived by daughters Stephanie Baker of Westfield, N.C., Amanda Baker of Booneville, N.C., and Jennifer Hemenway of the home; brother Frank "Butch" Prince, Jr., of Mount Airy; sister Kelly Hayes of Granite Falls, N.C.; also two grandchildren.

A celebration of life service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Hopewell Baptist Church with Dr. Charlie Barnard officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hopewell Baptist Church, 511 Old Chester Highway, Blacksburg, S.C. 29702.

Fairview Lodge meeting Monday

Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM will hold a stated communication Monday, July 10 at 7:30 p.m.

A meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. All members and qualified masons are encouraged to attend.

Kings Mountain native Jim Medlin, Development Director of the NC Masonic Foundation, will be the guest speaker.

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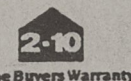
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