

## BUSINESS



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Chris Young is one of three technicians that will be on duty offering local internet service with GlobalUSA Online in Kings Mountain. The business is owned by Dr. Deepak Gelot.

## Internet service to open in KM

BY ALAN HODGE  
Staff Writer

In a few weeks, Kings Mountain will become the home to a new, locally owned and operated Internet service provider.

Named GlobalUSA Online, the business is located at 709 W. King Street, across from Kings Mountain Hospital, and is set to begin service in mid-February.

Owner is Dr. Deepak Gelot. Technicians Chris Young, Raymond McHone, and Shawn Davis will handle the computer end of the business. Together they have nearly 40 years of combined computer experience.

According to Young, GlobalUSA Online will be the only Internet server between Hickory and Charlotte. Besides offering the online connection, the company will also have a program where people can

come into the GlobalUSA office and learn to surf the web. Tech support is also local.

Initially, GlobalUSA Online will have the capability to serve 500 customers. Upgrades and expanded hardware and software will increase that figure in time.

In addition, GlobalUSA will provide a better user to modem ratio than larger companies. Young said that the company will have less than 10 customers per phone line as opposed to the 25 or more per line for firms like America Online.

Backing up the GlobalUSA Online systems in case of a power outage is a two hour battery reserve as well as a generator.

For more information, call 704-730-0150 or visit the GlobalUSA Online website at [www.globalusaonline.com](http://www.globalusaonline.com).

## BB&T tax service on line

BB&T Corp., recently announced an agreement with e-finance leader Intuit to offer the company's popular online tax preparation and filing service for the second year in a row.

Quicken TurboTax (R) for the Web - available through a link at BB&T's website ([www.BB&T.com](http://www.BB&T.com)) - is Intuit's online version of its top selling TurboTax software program.

TurboTax for the Web is fast and easy to use. By electronic-

ly filing, users can get their refund back in as little as 10 days. TurboTax supports more than 100 IRS tax forms, schedules and worksheets and is up to date on all current tax laws.

Customers can prepare and file a federal 1040EZ for \$6.95 by April 1 and \$9.95 thereafter. The corresponding state form is free. All other 1040 returns are \$14.95 by April 1 and \$19.95 after that.



Rebecca Martin celebrated her 7th birthday January 12, 2001. Family and friends gathered for the party including her sister Kathy. Rebecca is the daughter of Don and Penny Martin of 411 Pineview Drive, and the granddaughter of Genia Blue and the late Theodore Blue of Rock Hill, and the Granddaughter of Donald & Jane Martin.

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## OBITUARIES

**WARREN HUFFSTETLER**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN- Warren Hardin Huffstetler, 78, 7716 Curtis Lane, Spotsylvania, Virginia, died January 15, 2001 at McGuire Medical Center, Richmond, Virginia.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Thomas Edgar and Mary Ross Huffstetler. He was a retired electrical contractor. He was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Dallas, N.C. and a Mason. He was a member of Spotsylvania County Senior Citizens Club. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II under General Patton.

He is survived by his son Ed Huffstetler and wife Kimberly of Alexandria, Virginia; daughter Dorenda H. Huffstickler and husband Gary of Spotsylvania; brothers Roy L. Huffstetler and Clyde F. Huffstetler both of Kings Mountain; sisters Virgie Eaker and Selma Owens both of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 11 a.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in White-Jenkins Family Cemetery, Bessemer City.

Memorials may be made to the daughter Dorenda Huffstickler, 7716 Curtis Lane, Spotsylvania, Virginia 22553. Harris Funeral Home served the family.

### JOHN LAIL

**SHELBY- John Marion "Johnny Boy" Lail**, 57, White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain, died January 21, 2001 at White Oak Manor.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late John Belo Lail and Evie Oaks Lail. He was a member of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by a number of cousins.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Cleveland Memorial Park. Burial was in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Cleveland Funeral Services handled the arrangements.

**OUTHONE SOURISOU**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN- Outhone Sourisoud, 38, 314 Amherst Dr., died January 16, 2001 at home.

He was a native of Vientiane, Laos. He was the son of Onta and Thoumar Sourisoud. He was an employee of Steelfab Inc. in Charlotte.

He is survived by wife Khampanh Sourisoud of Kings Mountain; daughters Krystal Sourisoud and Alexis Sourisoud both of Kings Mountain; brothers Outhit Sourisoud, Soulivong Sourisoud, Homemath Sourisoud, Santi Sourisoud all of Kings Mountain; sisters Chantala Malaythong of Kings Mountain and Boutsabar Malaythong of Spartanburg.

The funeral was conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

## SCHOOL

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from our understanding the Cleveland County Commissioners' brief will need to be in court by February 5 and we anticipate after that happens that the court will schedule a completion date."

The Commissioners on Monday night hired the Parker Poe law firm to represent them in the matter.

**SEAN SELLERS**  
LANDRUM, S.C.- Sean Nathaniel Sellers, 21, died January 16, 2001.

A native of Charlotte, N.C., he was the son of Terry and Suzanne Hall Sellers. He was a computer service representative with The Phone Store. He attended Landrum First Baptist Church.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by brother Kyle Sellers of Greensboro, N.C.; sister Claire Sellers of Landrum; paternal grandparents Rev. Garvin and Mary Sellers of Bremen, Georgia; maternal grandmother Mrs. Edna Hall and the late Isaac Hall of Clayton, N.C.

The funeral was conducted Friday at 2 p.m. at Landrum First Baptist Church by Revs. Jerry Long and Otis Brady. Burial was in Evergreen Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to building fund of Landrum First Baptist Church, 300 E. Rutherford Street, Landrum, S.C. 29356, or Family Worship Center, Kings Mountain.

Petty Funeral Home served the family.

**ROBERT RAMSEY**  
ANDERSON, S.C.- Robert Blair Ramsey, 69, 205 Oak Knoll Terrace, died January 22, 2001 at Hospice House.

A native of Gastonia, N.C., he was the son of the late Joyce Clement Ramsey. He was employed as a sales agent for Palmetto Insurance Company.

He was a graduate of Central High School, Charlotte, and Wake Forest University. He was a member of Young Memorial A.R. Presbyterian Church where he also served as a Sunday School teacher, Deacon, and Elder. He served on several denominational boards.

He is survived by his wife Joyce Owens Ramsey of the home; son Michael Owen Ramsey of Chapin, S.C.; daughter Cynthia Blair Woodside of Simpsonville, S.C.; brother James C. Ramsey of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; sister Faye Finison of Gastonia; also one grandchild.

A memorial service was held Tuesday at Young Memorial ARP Church at 5:30 p.m. by Dr. L. Thomas Ritchie and Rev. Spears Alexander. A graveside service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Hollywood Cemetery, Gastonia.

Memorials may be made to Young Memorial ARP Church, 508 Boulevard, Anderson, S.C. 29621 or Bonclarken, 500 Pine Drive, Flat Rock, N.C. 28731, or the Hospice of the Upstate, 1835 Rogers Road, Anderson, S.C. 29621.

**CATHERINE IFFT**  
SHELBY- Catherine Bridges Ifft, 80, 114 Garden Street, Winston-Salem, died January 17, 2001 at Forsyth Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Amon Tavo Bridges and Myrtle Mintz Bridges. She was the wife of the late Charles Ifft and was a homemaker. She was a member of Northwood Baptist Church in Winston-Salem.

She is survived by her nephews Steve Bridges and Jerry Bridges both of Polkville; nieces Deborah Bridges and Darlene Bridges both of Salisbury and Mary Bridges of China Grove.

The funeral was conducted Friday at 11 a.m. at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel by Rev. Alton Martin. Burial was in Polkville Baptist Church Cemetery.

**MARY PUTNAM**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN- Mary Putnam, 79, 1008 Cleveland Avenue, Grover, died January 18, 2001 at her home.

A native of Greenville, S.C. she was the daughter of the late George Washington and Helen Jordan Mullinax. She was also preceded in death by great grandson James Evan Martin Felkel. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Grover and retired from Minette Mills after 35 years of service.

She is survived by her husband Walter Eugene Putnam of Grover; daughters Jackie Raduly of Grover, Vickie Bingham and husband Benny of Newport News, Va.; grandchildren Kim West and husband Larry Sr. of Myrtle Beach, S.C., Lesa Jeffries and husband Johnny of Gaffney, S.C., Tommy Martin and wife Sandi of York, S.C., Darrin Griggs and wife Aina of Oslo, Norway, Sean Griggs of Grover, Larry Hall, Jr. of Grover, Robin Smith and husband Robert of Piedmont, S.C. and Chris Hall and wife Alison of Blacksburg, S.C.; great grandchildren Hunter Felkel, Trevor Felkel of Blacksburg, Brittany West, Kristen West of Myrtle Beach, Stacey Jefferies of Gaffney, Garrett Martin of York, Tobias Griggs, Finn Griggs of Oslo, Anthony Hall of Greenville, S.C., Janice Smith, Austin Smith of Piedmont, Kayla Hall, Danielle Hall of Blacksburg; special friend and care giver Williar Brooks.

The funeral was conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Grover, by Dr. Tony Fulbright. Burial was in Grover Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Rd., Shelby 28150. Harris Funeral Home served the family.

**WYONA PEARSON**  
KINGS MOUNTAIN- Wyona Myers Pearson, 87, 107 Fairview Street, died January 20, 2001 at White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain.

A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late E. Henry and Betty Blackwell Myers. She was also preceded in death by a daughter and son in law Evelyn and Harold Black. She was a member of Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, a former Sunday School teacher, pianist, and retired textile employee.

She is survived by her husband Jim Pearson of Kings Mountain; sons Larry Pearson, Sr. and wife Shirley of Garden City, S.C., Eddie Black of Kings Mountain and Reece Black and wife Lenore of Gastonia; daughter Eloise Moss and husband Jack of Kings Mountain; grandchildren Jack Riley, Warren Moss, Ann Johnson, Micki Black, Larry Pearson II, Leann Croft, Laura Black, Michael Black; also numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel by Rev. Mitchell Pruitt. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery. Harris Funeral Home served the family.

**CELESTE JOHNSON**  
SHELBY- Celeste Walker Johnson, 95, 3011 Fieldstone Lane, died January 20, 2001 at Crawley Memorial Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late William Albert and Josephine Jackson Walker. She was the wife of the late Herman Johnson. She worked for Reserve Life Insurance Co. as an agent for 25 years. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter and son in law Dorothy W.

and Lemuel Wylie Sullens of Shelby; brother and sister in law Curtis C. and Edna Walker of Charlotte; sister Adeline Reeves of Mathews, N.C.; grandchildren Barry, Roger and Melissa Sullens, Cynthia, Yvonne and Ed Howard, Sherry and Donna White, Barbara Sullens; great grandchildren Ricky and Lee Packard, Kimberly Howell, Lyndi Sullens, Kristi Sullens, Zackery Sullens, Caitlin Sullens, Winston Howard, Nikki Thomas, Miranda Sewell; great great grandchildren E.J. Packard, Brittany Packard, Jewels Howard, Sierra Thomas.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 11 a.m. at Clay Barnette Chapel by Dr. J.M. Ezell and Dr. Pat Correll. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Bethel Baptist Church, 600 S. DeKalb Street, Shelby 28150.

Clay Barnette Funeral Home served the family.

### SAM STALLINGS

**SMITHFIELD, N.C.- Sam H. Stallings**, 76, died January 16, 2001.

A native of Smithfield, he was the son of the late Samuel Henry Stallings and Ercelle Holloman Stallings. He was also preceded in death by daughter Margaret S. Williams. He was a Seabee in the U.S. Navy in WWII. He was president of Professional Agencies, Inc. He was a former resident of Kings Mountain and past president of the Kings Mountain Lions Club. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Smithfield.

He is survived by his wife Carol Puckett Stallings; sons Sam H. Stallings III of Lumberton, N.C., George Robert Stallings of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Jon Gregory Stallings of Wilmington, N.C.; daughter Pamela S. Hiner of Wilmington; step mother Louise S. Rhinehart of Raleigh, N.C.; step sons Neal Jones of Columbia, S.C. and Chris Jones of Asheville, N.C.; brother Albert C. Stallings of Cary, N.C.; also five grandchildren and one great grandson.

The funeral was conducted Friday at First Baptist Church by Rev. Lee Colbert. Burial was in Oakland Heights Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Day by Day Home, PO Box 600, Selma, N.C. 27576.

Parrish Funeral Home served the family.

### RAYMOND BYERS

**SHELBY- Raymond Lee Byers**, 70, 915 Sarratt Road, died January 17, 2001 at home.

A native of Tennyson, Indiana, he was the son of the late Harold and Lillian Byers. He was a retired X-ray technician and a member of Shelby Moose Lodge. He served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years.

He is survived by his wife Lenora Church Potts of the home; daughter Patricia Hensley of Ocala, Florida; step-daughters Angela Oddo of N. Huntington, Pennsylvania, Patricia Bugica of Mooresville, N.C., Laurie Kalman of Charlotte, Kristine Kalman of Shelby; step son William Kalman of Albany, California, Michael Kalman of Knoxville, Tennessee; sister Betty Geier of New Orleans, Louisiana; sister and brother in law Eva Rose and Herchel Baugh of Evansville, Indiana; brother and sister in law Paul "Jack" and Marcella Byers of Evansville; also 13 grandchildren.

The memorial service was conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at Clay Barnette Chapel by Rev. David Fambrough. Memorials may be made to LIVE, 1268 Fallston Road, Shelby 28150.

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