

OBITUARIES

LOIS P. PAYNE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Lois P. Payne, 73, 208 North Dilling Street, died May 10, 2003 at her home.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Theodore and Sarah Elizabeth Quinn Propst. She was also preceded in death by her son, Eugene Payne.



She was a member of Eastside Baptist Church and was a retired vending supervisor for Duke Power, Allen Steam Station.

She is survived by her husband, Calvin Payne of Kings Mountain; son, Robert Payne and wife Vivian of Cherryville; daughters, Christine Jackson and husband Harold of Kings Mountain and Peggy Edwards and husband Joe of Gastonia; brother, Donald Propst of Pensacola, FL; sister, Faye Cooper of Belmont; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Eugene Land and Robert Eng at 11 a.m. Monday at Eastside Baptist Church. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

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

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

RUBY PATE

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ruby Hamrick Pate, 95, White Oak Manor, formerly of Suttle Street, Shelby, died May 12, 2003 at White Oak Manor.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Clyde and Daisy Greene Hamrick and wife of the late W.U. "Bill" Pate.

She was retired from the Assoc. Transport and Holly House Interiors and was a member of First Baptist Church, Shelby.

She is survived by her niece and her husband, Marjorie Hamrick Jordan and Morris of Kings

Mountain, and their son Michael Jordan of Savannah, GA; great-nephew, his wife and children, Tyson and Joann Hamrick, Aaron Hamrick and Sarah Hamrick of Swannanoa; and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be conducted by the Revs. Glenn Davenport and Bob Dills at 2 p.m. Thursday at Sunset Cemetery. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, 500 E. Morehead St., Suite 211, Charlotte, NC 28202 or First Baptist Church of Shelby, 120 N. Lafayette St., Shelby.

JUANITA LANKFORD

SPARTANBURG, SC - Juanita Marguerite Lankford, 82, 9 Beech Street, died Sunday, May 11 at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center.

A native of Spartanburg County, she was the daughter of the late Everette C. and Aze Mae Horde Wall. She was a former employee of Milliken and Company and was a member of First Baptist Church of Cowpens and the Ladies Sunday School Class.

She is survived by three sons, William Barry Lankford, Michael A. Lankford and David W. Lankford, all of Spartanburg, SC; three sisters, Ever Mae Wright of Inman, SC, Jo Ann Costner of Kings Mountain, and Patsy W. Huggins of Dallas; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Chaplain Skip Snyder at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Floyd's Boiling Springs Chapel. Burial was in Good Shepherd Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Hospice Special Needs Fund, 120 Heywood Avenue, Suite 300, Spartanburg, SC 29302 or to Mobile Meals Service, P.O. Box 461, Spartanburg, SC 29304.

Floyd's Boiling Springs Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

RUBY HAYES

SHELBY - Ruby Mae Pyron Hayes, 93, White Oak Manor, died Saturday at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Green County, Ga, she was the daughter of the late James Benjamin and Mamie Whitaker Pyron and wife of the late William Ralph Yates. She was also predeceased by a her son James William Hayes, brothers, Johnny, Bill, Stanley and Clarence; and sisters, Louise Bowen and Mary Hayes.

She was a member of Davidson Baptist Church and was retired from Belk's where she worked in alterations.

She is survived by her

daughter and son-in-law, Helen Marie and Henry C. Akin of Pikeville, TN; and sister, Betty Lou Patterson of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Bobby Ridge at 2 p.m. Monday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel. Burial was at Beaver Dam Baptist Church cemetery.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

B.C. QUEEN JR.

SHELBY - Benjamin C. "B.C." Queen Jr., 83, 1779 Idlewild Drive, died Thursday at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Cherokee County, Sc, he was the son of the late Benjamin C. and Ollie Barnette Queen and husband of the late Mary Helen McMurry Queen. He was also predeceased by his son, David Queen, and brothers Archie, Raymond and Floyd Queen.

He was retired from Ora Mill Company and was a self-employed painter. He was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

He is survived by his sons and their wives, Billy and Sarah Queen, Mitchell and Judy Queen and Richard and Mary Queen, all of Kings Mountain; sisters, Kathryn Martin and Myrtle Bland of Shelby; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. Doug Dickens and Rev. Mike Chambers at 3 p.m. Sunday at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Pleasant Hill Baptist Church or Gideons International.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

EVELYN TATE YATES

SIMPSONVILLE, SC - Evelyn Tate Yates, formerly of Kings Mountain, died May 11, 2003.

A native of Greenville, SC, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Sarah Frier Tate and wife of the late Warren Yates. She was also predeceased by her sons, Raymond Joe Bennefield and Timothy Wayne Bennefield, and three sisters.

She was a retired textile worker and member of Apache Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Evelyn Bennefield of Easley, SC; daughters and sons-in-law Judy and Mike Cole of Simpsonville, SC and Sandra and Glen Childers of Lyman, SC; 11 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Elizabeth Wilkerson of Greer, SC.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Brad Akins at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to Briarwood Nursing Center, Activity Department, 701 W. Curtis Street, Simpsonville, SC 29681.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

MARGIE LOVELACE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Margie Kuykendall Lovelace, 79, 1418 S. Morgan Street, Shelby, died May 8, 2003 at White Oak Manor in Kings Mountain.

A native of Rutherford County, she was the daughter of the late William Byrd and Carrie Lovelace Kuykendall and wife of the late Willard Haywood Lovelace Sr. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Patricia Lucille; brother, Walter Kuykendall; and son-in-law, Jerry Edmonson.

She was retired from Park Yarn Mills and was a charter member of Christian Freedom Baptist Church.

She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Willard and DeLora Lovelace Jr. and Farrell and Angel Lovelace, all of Kings Mountain, and Clyde and Millie Lovelace of Bostic; daughters and sons-in-law, Donna Edmonson, Shirley Ann and Buddy Broome, Dorothy and Ron Dills, and Tammy and Todd Maples, all of Kings Mountain, Gearldine Currin of Dallas, Freida and Dwight Osborne and Linda and Roger Roberts, all of Shelby, and Barbara and John McPurdy of Virginia Beach, VA; brothers, Louis Kuykendall of Hampton Roads, VA, and Wilburn Kuykendall of Kings Mountain; sisters, Bertha McNichols of Gastonia, Nora Yarborough of Bessemer City, and Lois Cable of Lexington; 35 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Mike Chambers and Sam Snyder at 3 p.m. Monday at Christian Freedom Baptist Church. Burial was in Oak Grove Baptist Church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150 or The Life Enrichment Center, 1220 Fallston Road, Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ALBERT ROBINSON SR.

FLAT ROCK - Albert Franklin Robinson Sr., 84, of Hendersonville, died May 6, 2003 at Pardee Care Center.

A native of Rock Hill, SC, he was the son of the late Edward William and LeeAnna Newell Robinson. He was a retired Army veteran serving in World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Spell Robinson; five brothers, Haskell, Tom, Paul, Banks and Morgan; sister, Myrtle; and granddaughter, Sharon.

He is survived by two daughters, Barbara Ann Lee of Fayetteville and Priscilla Worley and husband Ron of Lecanto, FL; two sons, Albert Robinson Jr. and wife Larissa of Pisgah Forest and David Robinson of Fayetteville; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday at Butler Funeral Home, Roseboro, by the Rev. Richard Spell. Burial was in Macedonia Baptist Church cemetery, Stedman, NC.

Butler Funeral Home, Roseboro, was in charge of arrangements.

CHURCH BRIEFS

Homecoming set at Grace Methodist

Former pastor, Rev. George Sherrill, will speak at the annual homecoming service Sunday, May 18 at 11 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain.

A covered dish lunch will be held in the fellowship hall following the worship service.

Members of the church will replace the corner stone in the wall of the church. They will place letters to the future church members, telling them of their history with fond stories of founding members of the church.

The public is invited. For more information call 739-6000.

Family Day May 18 at Good Hope church

Good Hope Presbyterian Church, 105 Cansler Street, Kings Mountain, will observe its annual Family Day service at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18.

Speaker will be Rev. Hubert Williamson of Durham.

The public is invited.

Memorial Day sing slated in Gastonia

The 8th annual Memorial Day Tribute gospel singing will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 24 at Modena Street Baptist Church, 734 N. Modena St., Gastonia.

All activities are designed to honor present and past members of the nation's military.

Activities include singing by the Happy Tones and the Songsters, a flag ceremony conducted by the World War II Last Man Club, the pledge of allegiance, the national anthem, and Taps.

Admission is free. For more information or for directions to the church call 867-5391.

Revival slated at Calvary Way

Revival will be held May 18-23 at 7 p.m. at Calvary Way Holiness Church, 310 Long Branch Road, Kings Mountain.

There will be a different speaker and special singing each night.

Rev. Clifton Morgan invites the public.

Cornerstone sets VBS June 2-6

Vacation Bible School will be held June 2-6 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Cornerstone Church of God, 202 Margrace Road, Kings Mountain.

The theme is "Son Harvest - Fruits of the Spirit."

For more information call 739-3773.

Yard sale May 17 at New Beginnings

There will be a yard sale Saturday, May 17 beginning at 7 a.m. at New Beginnings Church of Jesus Christ, 541 Crocker Road, Kings

Mountain. Proceeds will go to the youth fund.

In case of rain, the sale will be rescheduled.

Anniversary set at St. Peter Baptist

St. Peter Missionary Baptist Church, Grover, will honor Rev. William Thompson for his 17 years of service with an appreciation banquet Saturday, May 31 at 6 p.m.

Rev. John McColloch, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, Gastonia, will be the speaker.

Tickets are \$15 and are available by calling the church office at 937-9136.

The Culmination Service will be held Sunday, June 1 at 3:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Rodney Freedman of Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church, Gastonia.

Car wash, sales at David Baptist

David Baptist Church Acteens and Ladies Enrichment Ministry will host a car wash, bake sale and hot dog sale Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the church, 2300 David Baptist Church Road, Kings Mountain.

For more information call 739-4555.

Gospel sing set at Harvest Baptist

Cross Reference will be in concert Sunday, May 18 at 6 p.m. at Harvest Baptist Church, 144 Ware Road, Kings Mountain.

Rev. Buddy Williams, pastor, invites the public.

One day crusade set in Blacksburg

David Ring, world renowned evangelist, will speak during a one-day crusade Monday, May 12 at 7 p.m. at T.A. Campbell Stadium at Blacksburg High School.

In case of rain the meeting will be held at First Baptist Church, 121 West Cherokee Street.

A love offering will be taken.

Gospel singing to honor mothers

A "Salute to Mothers" gospel concert will be held Saturday, May 10 at 7 p.m. at Chapel Grove Baptist Church, 716 Rotary Road, just beyond Crowders Mountain in Gastonia. There will be drawings and special gifts and prizes for mothers who attend.

The Songsters and Chapel Grove Quartet will sing. Admission is free.

For more information call 864-9185.

Youth rally set at Grover church

There will be a youth rally May 10 at 7 p.m. at Proclaiming the Word Ministries in Grover.

For more information call Sherry Moss at 937-7390.

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