SOCIAL BRIEFS

KM Class of '64 reunion June 4-5

The Kings Mountain High Class of 1964 will hold its 40th year reunion Friday and Saturday, June 4-5.

Classmates will meet for a casual gathering at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Swoogers Restaurant for a Dutch treat meal and ice cream. After the restaurant closes the class will listen and dance to oldies music.

The reunion will be held Saturday from 6:30-midnight at Kings Mountain Country Club. There will be pick ups and soft drinks. Music will be provided by

Gary Wilson's band.
The cost is \$10 to cover the cost of the reunion. Any remaining funds will go toward memorials for deceased classmates.

Those who have not yet made reservations should call 739-4321.

Woman's Club presented plaque

The Kings Mountain Fire and Police Departments honored the Kings Mountain Woman's Club at a dinner May 22. Steak was served to members of the Woman's Club and representatives of the Fire and Police Departments.

Fire Chief Frank Burns and Police Chief Melvin Proctor presented the Club with an engraved plaque which read "Presented to the Kings Mountain Woman's Club by the Kings Mountain Fire Department and the Kings Mountain Police Department for their support in raising \$21,000 for the purchase of two thermal imagery cameras to protect the lives of our citizens and our public service personnel.

The plaque was placed in the Woman's Club during the regular meeting on May 23.

Paysour reunion May 30 in Dallas

The Pasour-Paysour-Payseur reunion will be held Sunday, May 30 at Antioch Lutheran Church in Dallas.

A picnic lunch will be spread at 1 p.m. All descendants are encouraged to attend.

Library to close for Memorial Day

Mauney Memorial Library will be closed for Memorial Day Saturday through Monday.

The library will reopen Tuesday at 9 a.m.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Karen Roy, left, Community Improvement Project
Chairman, and Betty Gamble, Cookbook chairman, of the
Kings Mountain Woman's Club are presented a plaque
from Fire Chief Frank Burns and Police Chief Melvin
Proctor, right.

IN MEMORY OF SHELBY COLLINS

Shelby Collins, 80, of Cleveland Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC, died May 16, 2004 at Kindred Hospital in Greensboro, NC.

He was prededed in death by his parents, Johnny Collins and Eva Fields Collins of Whitesburg, KY, his brothers, and his beloved wife of 44 years, Oma Lou Hunsuker Collins.

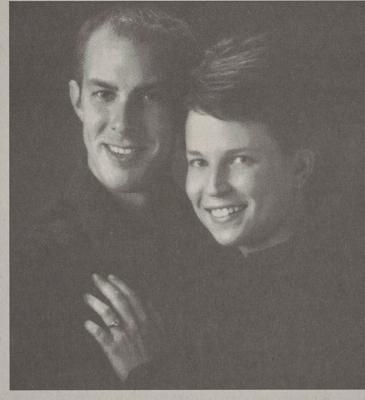
While serving in World War II, he spent 16 months in a German prison at Stolope. A lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Shelby worked for GMAC for 32 years in Lerian, Ohio.

Survivors include a son, Bobby Ray Collins of North Ridgville, Ohio.

After his wife's death, Shelby moved to Kings Mountain in 1992. He was a friendly man and made many close friends. He will be missed by all who knew him. Shelby was laid to rest on Wednesday, May 19, 2004 in Whitesburg, Kentucky.

– this memorial submitted by his close friends in Kings Mountain

ENGAGEMENTS



SHANNON MARIE THOMPSON JOSEPH NATHAN CHAMPION

Thompson-Champion

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Thompson of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Marie of Belmont, to Joseph Nathan Champion, also of Belmont. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bormet and Mr. and Mrs. Mac Thompson, all of Laurinburg, and the late Magdeline Thompson.

Shannon is a 1994 graduate of Scotland County High School and a 1998 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a B.S. in Nursing. She is employed by Charlotte Cardiology in Pineville.

Nathan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Champion of Kings Mountain. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Champion of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Bobby Flock of Columbia, MD, the late Arthur Flock, and the late Arthur Wilcox. He is a 1994 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 1999 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a B.S. in Earth Science. He is employed as a superintendent with Hills Communities of Charlotte.

The couple plans a garden wedding on June 26, 2004 at Firethorne Country Club in Waxhaw.

Kaitlyn Rumney born April 21, 2004

Kaitlyn Nicole Rumney was born April 21, 2004 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany, GA.

She weighed seven pounds and was 19.25" in length.
Parents are Misty and Chad

Rumney of Albany, Ga.
Maternal grandparents are
Randy and Renae Knight of
Gastonia and Jimmy and
SueAnne Colvin of Bessemer
City.

Paternal grandparents are
Kenneth and Glenda Rumney of Gastonia and Tom and
Gail Bobbitt of Columbia, SC.

Great grandparents are George and Ivory Nolen of Kings Mountain, Mary Costner of Bessemer City, Ruth Knight of Gastonia, Curtis and Mable Colvin of Bessemer City, Ernest and Hazel Wilson of Gastonia, and Howard Rumney of Bessemer City.

KM WEATHER REPORT

By Kenneth Kitzmiller

May 19-23

Total precipitation Maximum one day Month to date Year to date Low temperature High temperature Avg. temperature

.75 .72 (23rd) 2.28 11.52 65 (19th) 92 (21st) 78.4 Year Ago 7.01 4.18 (20th) 10.84 39.30 54 (19th) 80 (25th) 64.7

OBITUARIES

BERTIE HARTSOE KINGS MOUNTAIN -Bertie Spencer Hartsoe, 94, 122 Bridges Street, went to be with the Lord May 21, 2004 at her

home.
A native of Gaston
County, she was the daughter of the late John and Ida
Neill
Absher. She

Absher. She was wife of the late W.G. "Bill" Hartsoe and the late Robert Spencer. She was also preceded in death by her daughter Nadine Carson, brother Roach Absher, and sisters Essie Eaker and Margaret Short.

She was a member of First Wesleyan Church, where she served as a Children's Sunday School teacher and was a member of the choir. She was retired from Craftspun Yarns and she was a seamstress and worked part-time at Bolin Day Care, Kings Mountain. She was loved by many and loved many.

She is survived by her sons, Bill Spencer and wife Patty of Cocoa Beach, FL, Ken Spencer and wife Doris of Fair Play, SC, Ed Spencer and wife Joye of Durham, and Terry Spencer and wife Linda of Lincolnton; daughters Bobbie S. Page of Kings Mountain and Elizabeth S. Wilson and husband Jim of Grover; sisters Ava Ford of Cherryville, Pearl Sisson of Gastonia and Lorene Matich of Leesburg, FL; 18 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Don Williams at 3 p.m. Monday at First Wesleyan Church. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Rd., Shelby, NC 28150; or First Wesleyan Church, 505 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086; or South Mountain Retreat and Conference Center, Youth Cabin Program, P.O. Box 500, Casar, NC 28020.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

CARL P. FINGER

KINGS MOUNTAIN -Carl P. Finger, 83, 411 Phifer Road, died May 22, 2004 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center, Shelby.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Frederick E. and Belle Miller Finger and husband of the late Carolyn Newby Finger. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Frederick E. Finger Ir.

He was retired from Eaton Corporation and was a lifetime member of Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church. He was a veteran of WWII, having served in the Army Air Corp and fought in the Battle of The Bulge.

He is survived by his son,
Thomas A. Finger of
Mocksville; daughter Ginger
Finger Hamrick and husband Carroll of Boiling
Springs; grandchildren
Ethan Hamrick and Alex
Hamrick; brother Dan Miller
Finger of Kings Mountain;
and sister Sarah Finger
Warren of Lynchburg, VA.

A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Bill Jeffcoat at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church, 201 N. Piedmont Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

HENRY A. FORD

KINGS MOUNTAIN -Henry A. Ford, 87, 602 Ford Street, died May 19, 2004 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late John Wesley and Nona Bennett Ford and husband of the late Jewell Adkins Ford. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Clarence, Otto, Marvin and Doris Ford, and his sister, Eunice Stewart.

He served in the U.S. Army in World War II in North Africa and in Europe. He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church, where he taught the Senior Men's Sunday School class for over 30 years. He was retired from Margrace Mill, Kings Mountain.

He is survived by his son, Kevin Ford and wife Kim of Shelby; grandchildren Haley and Joshua Ford of Shelby; and sisters Mozell Fowler of Kings Mountain and Gertrude Hamrick and Margrace Cicerano, both of Anderson, SC.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. David
Philbeck and Dean
Lavender at 1 p.m. Saturday
at Macedonia Baptist
Church. Interment was in
Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Macedonia Baptist Church, 1101 S. Battleground Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ELIZABETH McDANIEL

Elizabeth Harris McDaniel, formerly of Kings Mountain, died May 20, 2004 at Crawley Memorial Hospital.

A native of Spartanburg County, SC, she was the daughter of the late Horace and Virginia Jett Harris and wife of the late Bruce McDaniel. She was also preceded in death by her brother, James Harris.

She was a homemaker and a member of Central United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain.

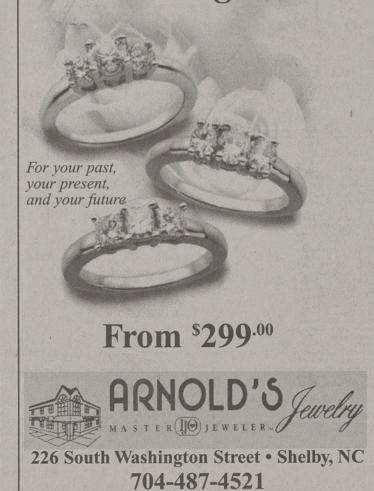
She is survived by her godson, Carl Scott Ware of Kings Mountain; sister-inlaw, Carolyn Hord Harris of Nashville, TN; nephew George Harris of Nashville, TN, nephew Wally Harris of Atlanta, GA, niece Julia Buchanan of Miami, FL, niece Louise Napolitano of Charlotte, nephew Bill McDaniel of Charleston, SC, and niece Ann McDaniel Smith of Charleston, SC.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Janice Combs at 2 p.m. Sunday at Mountain Rest Cemetery. Stamey Funeral Home,

Fallston, was in charge of arrangements.







The Three Diamond

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