

OBITUARIES

HOWARD EDENS
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Howard Edens, 82, formerly of Kings Mountain, died November 27, 2005 at Fair Oaks Hospital, Fairfax, VA.

A native of Greenville, SC, he was the son of the late Christopher Columbus and Sallie Hogan Edens and husband of the late Laura Randall Edens. He was also predeceased by sisters Naomi Edens and Evelyn Hawkins.

He was a member of the Lion's Club, Golden, CO. He served in the United States Army Signal Corp Pacific Theatre during World War II.

He is survived by his son, Chris Edens and wife Janet of Ashburn, VA; brothers C.C. Edens Jr. of Mt. Holly and Col. Robert H. Edens of Sanford; sister Frances Edens of Lincoln; and three grandchildren, Christopher Edens of Ashburn, VA, Amanda Lourdeau and husband Matthew of Carlisle, PA, and Kathryn Edens of Ashburn, VA.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Jody Griffin at 11 a.m. Friday, December 2, 2005 at Harris Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, Western Chapter, 3420 Shamrock Drive, Charlotte, NC 28215.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BETH KRIEGER PAYNE
GROVER - Beth Krieger Payne, 27, 118 Grace Lane, died November 30, 2005 in Kings Mountain.

She was born in Jacksonville, FL. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather, Aloysius Joseph Krieger Sr. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, a former employee of North Shelby School and Wal-Mart, and an employee of Harvest Works, Shelby.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Calvin "Robbie" Payne of Grover; parents Al and Mary Shields Krieger of Kings Mountain; son Isaiah Robert "Bubba" Krieger of Kings Mountain; daughters Lorin Elizabeth Krieger and Gabrielle Magdalene "Gabby" Krieger of Kings Mountain; paternal grandparent Clara Whatley Swann of Jacksonville, FL; maternal grandparents Kenneth and Rose Rogers Shields of Jacksonville, FL; brother Aloysius Joseph "Trey" Krieger III of Kings Mountain; sister Christina Rose Drake and husband, James Allen, of Grover; nieces Katie Krieger and Ashlee Drake of Grover; and nephew Christian Drake of

Grover.

A graveside service was conducted by the Revs. Roy Vining and Richard Shields at 2 p.m. Sunday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Children's Trust Fund, P.O. Box 247, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

VIVA CRAWFORD
CLOVER, SC - Viva McDaniel Crawford, 95, 1435 N. Hwy. 161, died December 3, 2005 at Lincoln County Nursing Center, Lincoln.

She was a native of Cleveland County and daughter of the late Grier Little and Alice Fulton McDaniel. Her husband was the late Albert Louis Crawford.

The funeral was held December 6 at Oakdale Presbyterian Church, Clover, SC. Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BILLY RAY GRINDLE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Billy Ray Grindle, 73, 1001 N. Cansler St., died December 1, 2005 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late John Harvey and Lola Gustavia Seagrave Grindle. He was a member of Temple Baptist Church, Gastonia, and former employee of Parkdale Mills, Gastonia, and Carother's Funeral Home, Gastonia. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Harris Funeral Home.

ESTHER Z. DELEVIE
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Esther Z. Delevie, 96, of White Oak Manor, died December 2, 2005 at White Oak Manor. Arrangements will be announced by Harris Funeral Home.

MENDAL E. MARLOW
CHERRYVILLE - Mendal E. Marlow, 34, 1643 Pinedale Rd., died November 30, 2005.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Helen Toney Marlow. He was also preceded in death by maternal grandparents Nelson and Zettie Propst Toney and paternal grandparents J.C. Marlow and Willie Sue Leonheart McGinnis.

He is survived by his father, Jerry L. Marlow, sisters Madeline M. Grigg and husband Keith of Kings Mountain, and Millicent M. Waddell and husband Scott of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Jeff Hayes on December 4 at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

LETTERS

Where does the money go?

To the editor:

I have had the same water rate for 3 or so years. I wash no cars, wash 4 loads of clothes per month and take a 6-8 minute shower each day.

I did some calculating and came up with some interesting figures, and would like to know "Where The Money Goes?" These figures are based only on water; no electric or sewer or land fill.

I based this figure on 9,000 homes in Kings Mountain. I'm sure there are that many. My water bill alone is \$10.80 per month. For 9,000 residents that is \$97,200.00 per month. I am paying myself for 1 year \$129.60. For 9,000 residents that comes to be a whopping \$1,166,400.00. Hey, that's just for water, people. Where does all this money go?

Add up the landfill disposal fee and the sewer fee and you will have one more hunk of change, my friend. All this does not even include the electric part of the bill. All this was based on my water bill alone and I am sure that most of the rich and high and mighty don't pay anywhere as much as I do because I am on disability and a fixed income and I am sure I have to carry the rich as the poor always does.

Thank you Kings Mountain, you do give me a 10% discount, I almost forgot.

Michael Wood
Kings Mountain

Herald article helped family

To the editor:

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to you and Andie Brymer for your publication of my husband's (William "Butch" Phillips) fund raiser, conducted by our friends at Amvets Post 995 on October 15.

Your fast response for an interview with Andie and our story made known in the Kings Mountain Herald, drew assistance from so many people, community members and businesses throughout Kings Mountain and beyond.

This outpouring of assistance from those that know us, as well as people who did not, was overwhelming and such a display of human compassion that it is difficult for us to fully express our gratitude in words. As you quoted us in your story, he is alive with us today because of his positive will and outlook for life, hundreds of prayers and prayer lists, and most importantly God's will. He is also blessed with some of the best surgeons and doctors in the Southeast.

Your article led to a call to Butch from another family in plight with liver disease. He was so happy to lend experiences as well as leads to some of his doctors to assist this family. Without your article the two of them would not have connected to one another.

The United Veterans Association in Gastonia also performed another benefit for Butch the following weekend, and we offer our sincere gratitude for their thoughtfulness and efforts to do this for us.

There are so many friends, organizations, community members, business members, fellow bikers, co-workers and family members that we would like to thank personally, but to name all of them would require at least a full page of your newspaper! To all the numerous people and merchants that supported and donated raffle items for the Amvets event, we cannot tell you how much we appreciate your kindness.

If you could find it in your heart to grant one more favor for Butch and myself by publishing this letter, so that all of the individuals that helped us know how extremely grateful we are to them. A very special thanks to our Amvets family and friends for all the hard work and personal time that they devoted to this benefit. They know that we love them all.

Sincerely,
Michelle Phillips
Kings Mountain

Thanks for reunion coverage

To the editor:

Thanks so much to Andie Brymer for the wonderful coverage in photos and writing of the 50th reunion of Bethware High School class of 1955. We had such a wonderful time that evening and you captured the event well.

Thanks for all the news items you do for The Herald.

Sincerely,
Lois Blanton
Kings Mountain

SCHOOL BOARD TO MEET

The Cleveland County Board of Education will meet Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Cleveland County Auditorium. The meeting is open to the public.

Minor damage in fires at home, McDonald's

A laundry room of a Gold Street home caught fire Wednesday, Nov. 30 around 6:30 p.m. The blaze was contained to the laundry room and no one was hurt, according to the Kings Mountain Fire Department. Firefighters were called to

McDonald's on Shelby Road Tuesday morning for a minor grease fire.

MAIL

From 1A

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LOCAL

Dixon School Road wreck fatal to Beth Krieger-Payne

A Grover woman was killed in a single car accident last week.

Mary Elizabeth Krieger-Payne, 27, of 118 Grace Lane, Grover died Wednesday, Nov. 30. According to the North Carolina Highway Patrol, Krieger-Payne drifted off the side of Dixon School Road and her car struck a tree. The accident happened between Interstate 85 and Bethlehem Road. There were no passengers in the car.

Krieger-Payne worked for Shelby's HarvestWorks, a non-profit organization which provides employment opportunities to individuals with developmental delays. They issued this

statement.

"Beth Payne touched many lives. It is impossible to accurately express in words the impact the loss of our co-worker and friend will have on the HarvestWorks family. As a one-on-one worker, Beth treated her clients with respect, kindness, and encouragement. She fought to help each client reach their fullest potential. Beth always gave more than was expected from her. Beth Payne will be dearly missed by her clients, co-workers, and our community. On behalf of the entire HarvestWorks family, our thoughts and prayers are with Beth's family."

GROVER

From 1A

Robert Sides remain as finance officer/office manager, Barry Toney remain deputy finance officer and Jackie Bennett continue to manage the town cemetery. Adam Green was selected to head the streets/sidewalks committee and Brent White to head the park committee. Mickey Corry was reappointed as town attorney.

During the public comment portion of the meeting one resident asked for an update on the investigation and clean up of the Minette Mill fire. Mayor Robert Sides reported that the county Fire Marshall and Grover Police Chief Shane Davis are continuing the investigation and clean up remains on schedule. The county is working with the property owner, he said.

Another asked for an update on the park bathrooms' winter schedule. Sides said that the bathrooms are being kept open daily and change would be up to the new council.

A resident asked for an explanation of a letter she received from the town regarding water quality monitoring. Sides said that the letter was being sent to all residents after chlorine levels were determined to be too high. The last test revealed the level as one one-hundredth of a point too high.

"The water is safe," Sides said.

ABC STORE TO CLOSE
The Kings Mountain ABC store will close at 6 p.m. on New Year's Eve and re-open for business on Tuesday, January 2, 2006.

First Baptist Church
of
Kings Mountain
invites you to join them in worship
at 11:00 a.m.

on Christmas morning.
The Sanctuary Choir will present:

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