

DEATH

SKIN BUMGARDNER
BESSEMER CITY - Linard Franklin "Skin" Bumgardner, 88, died October 29, 2006 at Summit Place in Kings Mountain.

He was born July 21, 1981, in Gaston County, son of the late John Franklin and Candace Hancock Bumgardner.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Ronnie Wilson at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Sisk-Butler Funeral Home.

Home Chapel. Interment was in Bessemer City Memorial Cemetery.

Skin was retired from Jenkins Metal Shops in Gastonia after 42 years as a shop foreman. He also was formerly employed by Diane 29 Theater for over 30 years and also served as a Gaston County Deputy Sheriff for many years.

He is survived by his son, Robert L. Bumgardner and wife Kathy of Dallas; daughter Sandra B. Reynolds of Gastonia; son-in-law Paul Reynolds of Kings Mountain; grandchildren Brad Reynolds, and Brandon and Ashley Bumgardner; and great-grandchildren Meagan and Alex Reynolds and Hunter Bumgardner.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Annie Jane Jenkins Bumgardner; three brothers and one sister.

To offer condolences, visit www.siskbutler.com.

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home, Bessemer City, was in charge of arrangements.

Pvt. Hart completes training

Army National Guard Pvt. Kendrick J. Hart has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

He is the son of Rebecca Hart of Mullinax Drive, Grover.

LOCAL

Teens explore police work

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Local teens are taking aim at their future through a program called Police Explorers. Capt. Robert Medlin, 19, Sgt. Shon Sheffield, 17, Lt. Robyn Medlin, 17, and Corp. Kelly McCrary, 15, were all at the KM Police Firing Range off of Police Lake on Monday practicing tactical maneuvers with KMPD Ofc. Todd McDougal.

From fingerprinting and crime scene investigations to traffic stops and task force scenarios, about 15 youths enrolled in the program are learning more than ever before.

"When I was in the program as a boy, we didn't do half as much stuff as these guys are doing," said Sheffield's father. He said that they used to do simple things like finger-printing, but nothing like live tactical scenarios.

McDougal went through the hand signals that officers and S.W.A.T. teams use when they approach a possible dangerous situation. He instructed them to rally around him and they quickly formed a tight circle.

He described the situation and told them to circle around a nearby plot of land, exhibiting their task-force-like maneuvers. Each of the officers carried BB guns in the form of rifles, hand guns and semi-automatics.

Sneaking low through the land using trash tans and trees as occasional cover they secured the perimeter in true police fashion.

McDougal said, as they practiced with their air-soft projectile BB weapons in the firing range. To the left of the firing range are wooden walls and pillars which are used to create the scene of a building. Bad guys with weapons drawn are posted on some of the walls.

The young officers were told that they were going into a store or building in New Orleans. After the flood, lawlessness spread through the city and there is no way of knowing how many bad guys may be in the building or what their actions will be, McDougal told them.

Each one went through the scenario telling the knife or gun wielding criminals to drop their weapons. None of the posters complied so they practiced their shots, moving in "real time" (as fast as they would move in real life).

A squad car and McDougal's personal car were set up in the field for a traffic stop scenario. McDougal jumped in the car and told two of the officers to stand by as back-up and the other two to hop in the squad car and practice a routine traffic stop.



Capt. Robert Medlin, Corp. Kelly McCrary and Sgt. Shon Sheffield practice tactical maneuvers through the Police Explorer program at the Kings Mountain Police Firing Range at Police Lake.

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