### **OBITUARIES**

#### LAWRENCE ALLEN, SR.

GASTONIA - Lawrence Donald Allen, Sr., 75, of 225 Mountain Village Circle, died July 18, 2008, at home. He was born August 15, 1932, in Cleveland County, to the late Authur Davis and Rose Dobbins Allen.

He was also preceded in death by his loving wife, Betty Allen; son-in-law, Bill Vaughan; daughter-in law, Sharon Allen; brother, Bill Allen; sisters, Laura Mae Glenn and Joan Allen; and, mother-in-law: Louise Allen.

He is survived by sons, Donnie Allen and wife Patricia of Kings Mountain, Jimmy Allen of Bessemer City, Kenny Allen and wife Betsy of Hickory; daughters, Teresa Allen of Bessemer City, Kathy Allen and husband Johnny of Gastonia, Rachel Morris and husband Matthew of Myrtle Beach, SC, Christina Watkins and husband Jeff of Bessemer City; brothers, A.D. Allen and wife Ann of Spartanburg, SC; sisters, Virginia Smith and Margaret Patterson both of Kings Mountain, Lib Smith of Spartanburg, SC, Barbara Stacy of Augusta, GA; grandchildren, Jimmy, Tabitha, Chad, Tina, Christopher, Andrew, Christina, Dannielle and Alvin; and, greatgrandchildren, Tyler, Destiny, Damond, Cierra, Jovanny, Diana and Austin.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Kenneth Cash at 3 p.m. Monday, July 21, 2008, at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gaston Hospice, P.O. Box 3984, Gastonia, NC 28054.

Condolences can be offered online at www.siskbutler.com

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

### **RONNIE MERCK**

KINGS MOUNTAIN – Ronnie Merck, 60, of 125 Belmar Road, died Tuesday, July 22, 2008 at his home.

He was born in Gaston County, son of the late Charles Vernon and Clara Martin Merck. He was an employee of Kings Mountain Mineral, Inc. and was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam.

He is survived by his wife, Gene Head Merck of Kings Mountain; son, Jeffery "Boe" Smith of Gastonia; daughters, Kimberly and Rhonda Merck of Lincolnton; brothers, Chuck Merck and Doug Merck, both of Kings Mountain; sisters, Sheila Smith and husband Ken of Kings Mountain, Gail Peterson of Grover, Beverly "Sissy" Hacker and husband Raymond of Ocala, Fla., Tammy Stokes and husband Rev. Robert Stokes of Lakeland, Fla.; sister-in-law, Terry Merck of Shelby; and, two grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted by the Rev. Robert Stokes at 4 p.m. Friday, July 25, 2008 at Faith Ablaze Church, 1128 York Road, Kings Mountain.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### JIM HARRISON, SR.

BESSEMER CITY - Jim B. Harrison, Sr., 64, of 506 E. Virginia Avenue, Bessemer City, died July 26, 2008 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

He was born in G a s t o n County, son of the late Joseph Blake Harrison. He was an employee of



Beverly Knits Inc. in Gastonia for 25 years. He was of the Baptist faith, loved computers and going to the flea market and Waffle House. He enjoyed life.

He is survived by his wife, Libby Walker Harrison of Bessemer City; sons, George Wilson and wife Evelyn and Christopher Harrison both of Bessemer City; daughters, Michelle Eizenger and husband Brian of Clover, SC, Evelyn Garland of Chester, SC, and Dana Harrison of Bessemer City; brother, Randy Harrison and wife Jill of Grover; sister, Linda West and husband Tony of Shelby; 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The funeral was conducted by Dr. Harley Michael Keough at 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, 2008 at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Interment was at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society at 500 E. Morehead Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### BILL CARRIGAN

OCALA - Bill A. Carrigan, 69, passed away on Friday, July 25, 2008. He was born in Dallas, NC, and moved to Ocala from Kings Mountain in 1975.

He was plant manager for Carlton Manufacturing in

Ocala. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Ocala and served his country in the Army National Guard. He loved fishing, hunting and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by son, Scott Carrigan in 1981.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Carrigan; daughter, Tonya Carrigan of Gainesville; son, Darin Carrigan of Ocala; brothers, Jim, Gerald and Buell Carrigan and one sister, Elaine Parker, all of Kings Mountain; and, grandsons, Mitchell and Matthew Carrigan.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. Edward Johnson at 3 p.m. Monday, July 28, 2008 at First Baptist Church. Burial followed at Highland Memorial Park.

Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services at 910 E. Silver Springs Boulevard, Ocala, was in charge of arrangements.

### DONALD GREEN

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Donald James Green, 79, of 1102 Groves Street, died July 28, 2008 at Gaston Memorial Hospital. He was born October 8, 1928 in Cleveland County to the late Oscar and Ovida Green.

He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and was known well for his guitar playing. He was preceded in death by parents, Oscar and Ovida Green; daughter, Pat Passmore; step son, Ronnie Cobb; brothers, Bud, Kenneth, Otis and Opel Green; and, sister, Virginia Grigg.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Green; daughters, Laura Mote and husband Jimmy of Kings Mountain, Adam Green and wife Melinda of Grover, Travis Wells and wife Jenny of Kings Mountain, and Larry Green and wife Joann of Kings Mountain; step daughters, Doris Winstead and husband Johnny of Kings Mountain, Pat Allen and husband Don of Kings Mountain, and Christy Wood of Kings Mountain; sisters, Floella Beverly of Kings Mountain and Margaret Neal of Belmont; brother, Randall Green of Antioch, SC; 19 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Herman Green and Paul Grigg at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 30, 2008 at Sisk-Butler Funeral Home Chapel, Bessemer City. Interment was at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Condolences can be offered online at www.siskbutler.com

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

## KM POLICE REPORT

#### ARRESTS

July 22: Terri Elizabeth Carmichael, 20, 501 Woodside Dr., disorderly conduct, consuming under 21, \$300 bond, secured.

July 23: Jessica Marie Bell, 20, 1444 York Road, order for arrest for damaging rental property, \$500 bond, secured.

July 25: Beverly Ann Black, 28, 7865 W Hwy 40 Lot 121, Ocala, FL, withdrawing checks, drug possession, possession of marijuana, \$150 bond, secured.

July 25: Sandy Mitchem Haney, 35, 826 Sparrow Springs Rd., fraud, no bond.

July 26: Deidra Lemy Ross, 28, 904 Grace St., misdemeanor larceny, \$200 bond, unsecured.

July 26: Donavan Shawn Petty, 23, 410 Hillside St., Boiling Springs, carrying concealed weapon, \$1,000, unsecured.

July 27: Janie Brook Falls, 23, 118 Creticside Rd., Bessemer City, larceny, \$1,000 bond, secured

July 27: Jamie Lee Davis, 29, 118 Creekside Dr., Gastonia, larceny, \$51,000 bond, secured.

July 27: David Carson Jackson, Jr., 45, 1147 Hillsboro Mills, Millsboro Beach, FL, second trespass, \$2,000 bond, secured.

July 25: Patrick Joseph Rowland, 22, 3916 Branding Iron Dr., Gastonia, DWI, contributing to drinking of minor, fictitious information to police, fleeing the scene of accident property damage, \$10,000 bond, secured.

July 26: Ameth S. Smith, 41, 846 West Warren St., Shelby, DWI, CCW, had .22 CAL pistol, \$5,000 bond, secured.

July 28: Michael Franklin Crumbley, 43, 223 Morris St., assault on female, no bond.

### INCIDENTS

July 22: A resident of Farrall St., Shelby reported a stolen

green Honda Accord from Lincolnton Co.

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July 22: Linwood Family Mart reported damage to property.

July 28: A resident on Morris St. reported assault on a female.

July 28: A resident on Marigold St. reported larceny of a wire stool.

July 28: The Asian Buffet reported break & enter and larceny.

July 27: A resident reported unauthorized use of a vehicle, a 2007 Baja SC50 pink moped valued at \$449.

July 25: A resident reported financial card theft and stolen NC driver license.

July 27: Dollar Tree on E. King St. reported a case of counterfeit U.S. Currency and obtaining property by false pretenses.

July 26: A resident of Dogwood Trail reported damage to property and larceny to a \$500 worth of sheet metal on boat.

July 27: A resident of Waking St. reported larceny.

July 22: A resident of Shelby road reported damage to property and communicated threats.

July 27: A resident of Thornburg Dr. reported larceny. July 27: A resident of W. Gold St. reported simple assault.

### WRECKS

July 22: Margaret Grindell side-swept Amy Seaward in her 2006 Dodge when his 1999 Chrysler changed lanes on US Highway 74 Business. There were no injuries according to Capt. Mark Butler.



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