

Obituaries

ANNIE BELL McDOWELL

KINGS MOUNTAIN — Mrs. Annie Bell McDowell, 79, died March 8, 2009 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center in Shelby.

The funeral will be held Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 2 p.m. at South Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2250 Davis Park Road, Gastonia. Visitation is from 1-2 p.m.

ATHLENE HICKS

KINGS MOUNTAIN — Athlene Grayson Hicks died March 6, 2009 at Belaire Health Center, Gastonia.

Funeral service was Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Clover, SC, with the Rev. Mike Stafford officiating.



Interment was in Bethany ARP Church Cemetery.

Mrs. Hicks was the daughter of the late Maynard and Bertha D. Grayson. She was the widow of John McCoig and John Hicks. A daughter, Dana Grayson Rogers, also preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Daughters of American Revolution and Daughters of the Confederacy. Mrs. Hicks was the first female to step foot on the floor of the Wall Street Stock Exchange.

Survivors are a son, Devere Rogers Smith Jr. of Monroe; brother, Webster Grayson of Bennettsville, SC and grandchildren, Steven Rogers of Greenville, SC, James Rogers of Greenville, NC and Chelsie Smith of Monroe.

M. L. Ford & Sons Funeral Home, Clover, SC, is serving the family of Mrs. Hicks.

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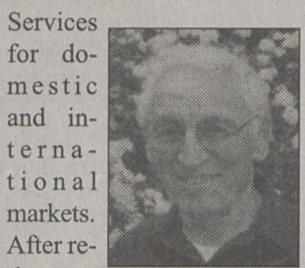
DMITRI MATT POUCHAK

KINGS MOUNTAIN — Dmitri Matt Pouchak, 85, of 105 S. Goforth St., died March 2, 2009 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

Born in Chisholm, MN, he was the son of the late Harry and Tekla Pouchak. Mr. Pouchak and his wife, Anne, were married on November 10, 1951 in St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral in Minneapolis, MN and moved to King Mountain in 1960.

A Chemical Engineer by profession for over 40

years, he retired from FMC/Lithium Corporation of America, Bessemer City, as a Director of Technical Services for domestic and international markets.



After retirement he built Poston Products, Brunswick, GA, which he owned and operated for 10 years.

A decorated World War II veteran, he served in the United States Army, Patton's 3rd Army 26th Infantry Division, 101st Regiment. An expert rifleman, he was among the first troops to go directly from New York to France after D Day. He was wounded in action and received the Purple Heart. He also served in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Pouchak and his wife loved the outdoors and enjoyed traveling and visiting their family and rural cabin in Minnesota. He was active as a Boy Scout leader and a founding member of The Nativity of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church, Charlotte.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Anne Pouchak of the home; sons, Paul Pouchak of Shelby, Jason Pouchak of Orange, CA and Hilary Pouchak of Carlsbad, CA.

Father William Mills conducted the funeral service Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 2 p.m. at The Nativity of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church, Charlotte. Interment was in Forest Lawn East, Matthews.

Memorials may be made to The Nativity of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church, PO Box 2268, Davidson, NC 28036.

A guest register is available at www.Harris-Funerals.com.

Harris Funeral Home of Kings Mountain and Heritage Funeral and Cremation Service, Matthews, were in charge of arrangements.

Harris Funeral Home Heritage Funeral

HERMAN FREDELL

KINGS MOUNTAIN — Herman Roosevelt Fredell, age 76, of Kings Mountain, passed away on Saturday, March 07, 2009 at Belaire Health Care Center, Gastonia.

He was born on November 1, 1932, son of the late

Julius and Effie Phillips Fredell.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Fredell was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Fleming Fredell, six sisters, and five brothers.

Herman is survived by his wife, Trudy Fredell of the home; daughter, Jayne Brazell; sons, Wayne Fredell and Scott Fredell, all of Kings Mountain; stepdaughters, Debbie Gallaway and Renee Price, both of Gastonia; step-son, Ted Rushing Jr. of Kings Mountain; brother, Roy Fredell of Lincoln; sister, Betty Patterson of Kings Mountain; 16 grandchildren.

He was a member of Westover Baptist Church. Visitation was held Monday, March 9, from 7-9 p.m. at Greene Funeral Service, West Chapel.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Westover Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

Interment was at Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Condolences may be sent to www.greenefuneral.com

Arrangements are by Greene Funeral Service-West Chapel in Gastonia.

Greene Funeral Service

Robert Neill, Sr.

Robert Harrison "Bob"

Neill Sr., 80, devoted husband of Betty Elliott Neill, was received into the precious arms of Jesus early Friday morning, February 27, 2009 at his residence.

He was born November 4, 1928 in Charlotte, son of the late Buren Shuford and Elizabeth McComb Neill and was raised in Kings Mountain, NC. Mr. Neill was inducted into the Kings Mountain High School Hall of Fame in 1993 as a member of the 1945 Boys Basketball Team, and was selected as a member of the All Time Kings Mountain High School Football Team in 1971. In 2005, Bob was also inducted into the Gallery of Distinguished Graduates at Gardner Webb University where he played football and met the love of his life, his wife Betty.

He began his real estate development career in 1961 with Lat Purser and Associates, where he rose to the position of Vice Chairman. In 1980, he started his own company, Bob Neill & Associates which he ran until his retirement in 2004. Bob was a charter member and Elder of New Life Church of Charlotte and was a former member of St. Paul United Methodist Church where he taught the Great Expectations Sunday School Class for many years.

He was a shining example of a devoted Christian

and was known as a man who "walked the walk" of his faith. "Well done my good and faithful servant. You lived life well". The family wishes to thank Hospice and the staff at Sharon Towers for their love and care they gave to Dad. Bob was a devoted husband, father and grandfather.

Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Betty Elliott Neill of Charlotte; sons, Rob Neill and his wife Cathy of Charlotte and Chris Neill and his wife Kimberly of Tega Cay, SC; daughters, Robyn Nicholson and her husband Marshall, both of Charlotte; grandchildren, Doug Neill, Brian Neill, Drew Neill, Molly Warner and her husband Alex, Justin Nicholson all of Charlotte, Seth Nicholson and his wife Laura of Billings, Montana, Kyle Neill, Matthew Neill, Katie Neill and Lauren Neill, all of Tega Cay, SC and Leah and Natasha Smith of Burlington, NC.

Funeral services to celebrate Bob's life were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 4, 2009 in the Chapel of Hankins and Whittington Funeral Service. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain, NC. The family will receive friends from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Tuesday evening at funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter, 3800 Shamrock Drive, Charlotte, NC 28215-3220 or Sharon Towers Resident's Assistance Fund,

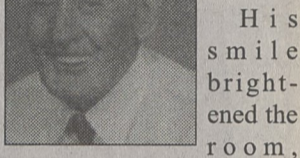
5100 Sharon Road, Charlotte, NC 28210.

Arrangements were in the care of Hankins & Whittington Funeral Service, 1111 East Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28203. Online at www.hankinsandwhittington.com

Hankins & Whittington Funeral Service

A Memorial to Charles Oliver of Kings Mtn. NC

Charles died February 25, 2009. He was a wonderful Husband, Father, grandfather and even great grandfather. In his 81 years he lived a life that no one would be ashamed of and in his 63 years of marriage, he maintained unwavering loyalty and love for his wife Louise.



His smile brightened the room, his love warmed your heart, and his selflessness touched your soul and made a difference in ever life he met.

He walked with Jesus every day of his life, and now his spirit can be with him forever more.

We, your family, wish to thank you and let you know We Love You and will miss your dearly until we can be with you again.

Police Report

ARRESTS

- FEB. 24: Candice P. Spires, 42, 205 N. Piedmont Ave., worthless check, criminal summons.
- FEB. 24: Justin Lingerfelt, 21, 1641 York Rd., DWI, \$466 bond.
- FEB. 25: Charles J. Reynolds III, 30, Blacksburg, SC, obtaining control substance by fraud, felony; possession with intent to sell and deliver Schedule III, felony; and possession Schedule IV, \$2500 bond, secured.
- FEB. 25: Bonita Lee Freeman, 54, 203 McGill Court, worthless check, criminal summons.
- FEB. 25: Tyler L. Fletcher, Jr., 55, 714 Bridges Dr., two counts possession drug paraphernalia, \$1,000 bond, secured.
- FEB. 26: David J. Ridings, 37, Charlotte, DWI, no insurance, no registration plate, \$800 bond, unsecured, 1994 Saturn impounded, cited for no registration plate.
- FEB. 26: Thomas Wayne Blanton, 41, 111 High Ridge Ct. Trailer 2, driving while license revoked, \$1,000 bond, secured.
- FEB. 26: Susan Hamm, 48, 808 W. Gold St., DWI, open container, \$800 bond, se-

- cured. 2002 Hyundai impounded.
- FEB. 26: Tydetta Brown, 26, 531 Belvedere Circle, worthless check, criminal summons.
- FEB. 28: Rickey Terry, 33, 803 Lee St., worthless check, criminal summons.
- FEB. 28: Craig Hammett, 35, 107 Cameron Dr., failure to appear, \$500 bond, secured.
- FEB. 28: Amber Thune, 21, 612 Charles St., Apt. 87, communicating threats, \$500 bond, secured.
- FEB. 28: Robert Martin Bagwell, 48, 205 S. Gaston St., show cause, \$3,856.02 bond, secured.
- FEB. 28: Mary Carpenter Fletcher, 38, 806 First St., communicating threats, criminal summons.
- FEB. 28: Charles Donald Blanton Jr., 77, 710 Williams St., DWI, open container, \$800 bond, secured. 1996 Cadillac impounded.
- FEB. 28: Randolph Galarza, 23, Mill Springs, DWI, speeding 85 in 65 m.p.h., \$800 bond, secured.
- FEB. 28: Vanda Jill Heffner, 33, 319 Linwood Rd., school attendance law violation, criminal summons.
- MARCH 2: Carlyle Jimmerson, 21, 1207-A W.

- Gold St., assault by pointing a gun, assault on a female, felony second degree kidnapping, no bond.
- MARCH 3: Jakie R. Carroll, 38, 255 Oak Grove Rd., carrying concealed weapon, \$300 bond, secured.
- MARCH 3: Angela K. Clemmer, 37, 138 Mullinax Dr., Grover, shoplifting, \$215 bond, cash.
- MARCH 4: Cynthia Humphries, 28, 1207 W. Gold St. Ext., two felonies, possession with intent to sell and deliver cocaine and maintaining dwelling, vehicle, \$20,000 bond, secured.
- MARCH 4: Carlyle Jimmerson, 21, 1207 W. Gold St. t., Ext., two felonies, possession with intent to sell and deliver and maintaining vehicle, dwelling, \$20,000 bond, secured.
- MARCH 6: Bernard Thompson, 38, 109 Kilgore Dr., DWI, stop sign violation, \$500 bond, unsecured.
- MARCH 7: Nicholas Odums, 28, 116 Goodall Dr., carrying concealed weapon and possession of stolen firearm, felony, \$10,000 bond, secured.
- MARCH 7: Debra Emory, 53, 102-A E. King St., intoxicated and disruptive, resist, obstruct, delay and

- giving false report, \$2,000 bond, secured.
- MARCH 7: Charles Caven-der, 43, Gastonia, fugitive warrant, probation violation, and no bond.

CITATIONS

- FEB. 18: Tina Redford, 32, Goldsboro, revoked license and failure to decrease speed.
- FEB. 23: Darrell Ponder, 37, 3 22 Winter Green Ct., failure to decrease speed.
- FEB. 25: Cheryl Robson, 53, Clover, SC, speeding.
- FEB. 25: Christin Turner, 26, Waco, no insurance, no registration, no operator's license, fictitious tag.
- FEB. 25: Brandon Weeks, 20, Shelby, no safety helmet while operating Moped.
- FEB. 25: Lynna Constance, 21, Clover, SC, speeding.
- FEB. 26: Marquis Miller, 20, Gastonia, speeding.
- FEB. 26: Robert Norris, 48, Shelby, speeding.
- FEB. 26: Amitria Logan, 27, Gastonia, speeding, failure to notify DMV change of address.
- FEB. 26: Beverly Corn, 41, 103 Heather Court, speeding.
- FEB. 27: Penny Foster, 51, 227 Green Meadows Dr., speeding and expired plate.

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