

OBITUARIES

Gladys McBee Bridges

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Gladys McBee Bridges, 94, a resident of White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain, died Friday, February 4, 2011 at White Oak Manor.

Born in Gaffney, SC, daughter of the late Robert and Wonie Wood McBee, widow of the Late Elvert Huey Tignor, and the late Golden B. Bridges, she was also preceded in death by her sons Gerald B. "Jerry" Baldwin, Joe B. Bridges; daughter, Mary Frances Plonk; brother, Gregg McBee; and sister, Ida Mae Tignor. She was a longtime member of Eastside Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, a former employee of Fulton Department Store and a homemaker.

She is survived by her daughter, Joyce Plumley of Kings Mountain; daughter-in-law, Darlene Bridges of Kings Mountain; niece, Ann Sanders of Gaffney; several grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Ron Caulder at 3 p.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at Eastside Baptist Church. Interment followed at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

The family received visitors prior to the funeral service in the church Sanctuary.

Memorials may be made to Eastside Baptist Church, 308 York Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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Patricia Brown

SHELBY - Patricia Sullens Keller Brown, 65, of 2526 Taylor Road passed away February 2, 2011, at

her home after a two year battle with cancer.

The funeral service was held Saturday, February 5, 2011, at 2 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain. Rev. Stephen Blanton and Rev. Tracy Sullens, officiated. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Virginia Wells Gore Owens

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Virginia Wells Gore Owens, 82, of 402 Fulton Road, died



February 7, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospice House. She was born in Cleveland County to the late Vane Wells and Mamie Compton Wells. She was also preceded in death by her husbands, the late Charles Edward Owens, and the late Carl Gore; brothers, John Wells and Claude Wells; sisters, Lily Gladden, Mary Deal, Ethel Bumgardner, Annie Lochridge, and Minnie Morrow. She was retired from Cooper's Furniture Store and was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, both in Kings Mountain.

She is survived by daughters, Carolyn O. Evans, Avis O. Morrow and husband Keith, all of Kings Mountain, Audrey O. Howell and husband Walter of Hickory Grove; brothers, Pete Wells and wife Doris, Ralph Wells and wife Helen, all of Kings Mountain; sister, Byrdie Bumgardner, of Kings Mountain; seven grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. Steve Taylor at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at Bethlehem Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the

church's cemetery.

The family received visitors Tuesday evening at Harris Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Baptist Church "Building Fund" 1017 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Judy B. Putnam

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Judy B. Putnam, 68, of 148 Persimmon Creek Road, passed away February 4, 2011 at her residence.

She was born in Cleveland County, the daughter of William E. "Bill" Bridges of Kings Mountain and the late Mildred Mullinax Bridges and was also preceded in death by her brother William



Terry Bridges. She was a member of Westover Baptist Church of Kings Mountain and was formerly employed with Fiber Industries for 20 years and Quality Alloys of Kings Mountain. She was a homemaker, loving wife, daughter and a wonderful friend to many.

In addition to her husband of 48 years, Bobby Putnam, Mrs. Putnam is survived by her father, William E. "Bill" Bridges of Kings Mountain; nieces, Tommie Leigh Sprawne and husband Brad of Bessemer City, and Tammy Gordon and husband Wayne of Gaffney, SC, great-niece, Jessica Sprawne of Bessemer City; special friends, Debbie Van Dyke and husband Richard, of Kings Mountain. She had no children but faithful dog companions through the years were Rover, Sugar and Opie.

The family received friends from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. prior to the funeral services at Harris Funeral Home which was held Monday, February 7, 2011 at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel in Kings Mountain at 3 p.m. Rev. Scott Hardin of-

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ficiated. The burial was at Patterson Grove Baptist Church Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com Arrangements were made by Harris Funeral Home of Kings Mountain.

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William Haven Thompson, III

KINGS MOUNTAIN - William Haven Thompson, III, 82, died February 5, 2011 at Wendover Hospice, Shelby. He was born July 15, 1928 in Springfield, Mass., to the late William Haven Thompson, Jr. and Hazel Allen Thompson. He was a veteran of the Korean War, having served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army's 45th Infantry Division.

A celebration of life service was held lakeside in Oakland, Maine.

Journey workshops to be held Feb. 10, 17

Journey - Partnership for End of Life Issues will be having a program Thursday, Feb. 10, 2011 from noon-1 p.m., at the Patrick Senior Center, 909 East King Street, Kings Mountain and on Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011 from noon-1 p.m. at the Neal Senior Center, 100 T.R. Harris Drive, Shelby.

Linda Cabiness, community outreach coordinator with Life Enrichment Center Adult Day Health

Bobbie Bennett Welch

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Bobbie Bennett Welch, 75, a resident of 412 Bennett Street, went home to be with



Jesus, Friday, February 4, 2011 at Kings Mountain Hospital. Born in Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Theodore H. Bennett and the late Essie Sellers Bennett, widow of the late Everett Donald "Don" Welch, Sr., and was also preceded in death by her son Everett Donald "Don" Welch, Jr. She was retired from textiles, working at Park Yarn and Burlington Mills. She was a member of Eastside Baptist Church of Kings Mountain, loved to cook and loved Gospel and Bluegrass music. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

She is survived by her son, Ricky Lynn Welch and wife Janice of Kings Mountain; daughter, Linda "Lynn"

Wilson and husband Bill of Denver, NC; three grandchildren, Billy Anthony Wilson Jr. of Mooresville, Kimberly Michelle Wilson and Jeffrey Brian Wilson of Denver, NC; and one great-grandchild, Cameron Wilson.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. James Hamrick and Dr. Robert Eng at 1 p.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2011, at Ollie Harris memorial Chapel. Interment was at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

The family received visitors Monday evening at Harris Funeral Home and at other times at the home of the son Ricky Welch, 412 Bennett St, Kings Mountain, NC.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Dr., Shelby, NC 28150.

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Service, will lead the program on "What is your Legacy? What do you want on your tombstone?"

Who you are is more important than what you own. Come learn how to leave a legacy. Journey will present a one-hour session twice in February on how to begin writing an ethical will, which is not legally binding but is a way of preserving your legacy of values for your family. Participants will learn ways to "bequeath their values" in

the same way that a will of inheritance bequeaths material possessions.

The workshops will present practical, step-by-step ideas about how to share your legacy. These quarterly sessions are free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For more information about ethical wills, call Linda Cabiness at Life Enrichment Center Adult Day Service at 704-484-0405.

City receives corridor design grant

Land design consultants met this week with city staff and committees to begin work on a corridor design for a new 11.2 mile trail from Moss Lake through Kings Mountain to Gateway Trails on S. Battleground Avenue. The city is recipient of a corridor design grant from Carolina Thread Trail.

"The city continues to work to improve the quality of life in Kings Mountain and public health is of great importance in planning and guiding development," said Mayor Rick Murphrey. The implementation of those programs strengthen the connection between public health and human activities through land use, he said.

+Gateway Community Initiative - The city and parks received funds through the Department of Interior Rails and Trails Conservancy. That effort includes developing an economic relationship with the two state parks and one federal park and developing York Road as the gateway to the three

parcs and a connector trail from the city to the three parks.

+The City's Comprehensive Greenway, Bikeway and Pedestrian Improvement Plan - identifies needed sidewalks, greenways and overall pedestrian improvements.

+The Kings Mountain Bikeway Plan - under development with the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

+The Active, Health and Historic KM Program - promotes better health through more active lifestyles, a program that started in 2006.

+The Eat Smart, Move More - Trails have been identified and will open this year, including several trails through downtown and downtown neighborhoods to provide more walking opportunity

+Two Walking Trails - in Kings Mountain have for many years provided recreational opportunities

+26 Miles of sidewalk-invaluable to the public.

+FIT Community - Kings

Mountain achieved the FIT community status in 2010-2013 at the silver level by the Health & Wellness Trust Fund.

+3 City Parks - walking trail park, Davidson Park and Patriot's Park.

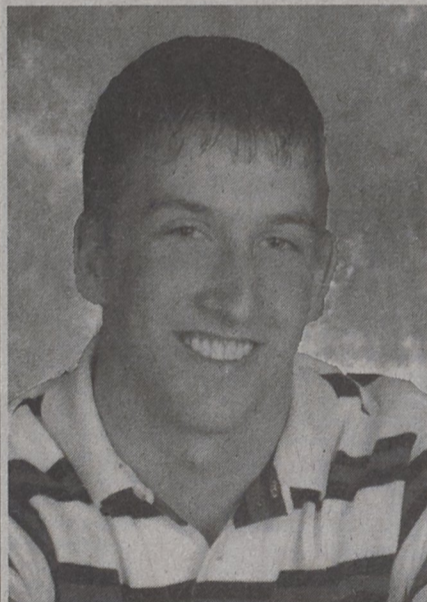
+Three lakes - Moss Reservoir, City Lake and Davidson Lake.

Baseball and soccer fields- YMCA partnership-children's playground built by the community, many recreational opportunities, an economic development asset as a Kings Mountain blueprint for a active, healthy and historic Kings Mountain.

Revival services

Evangelist Robert Mays from "Fresh Fire Revivals" will preach at revival services March 6-9 at Carolina Praise & Worship Center, 201 N. Main St., Grover, Services are on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. and Monday-Wednesday at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

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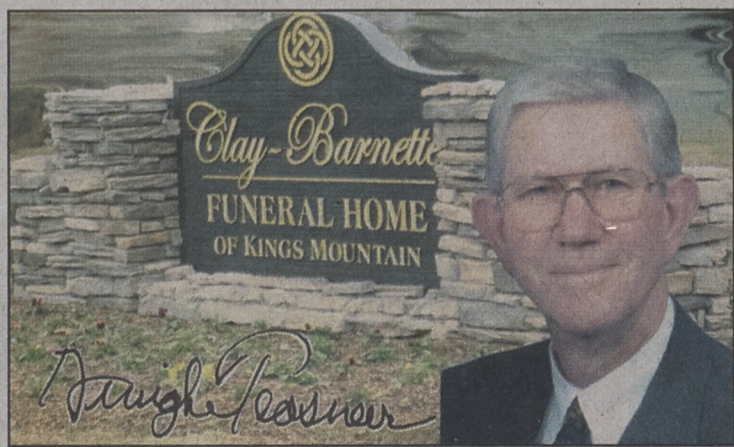


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You are always right here in my heart.

I love you, Momma

Andrew David Bunch
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