

OBITUARIES

Joanie Frederick

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Joan L. "Joanie" Frederick, 60, passed away at her home in Kings Mountain on Sunday, July 24, 2011 after a long hard battle with carcinoid cancer. She was born in Akron, Ohio on May 23, 1951 and graduated from St. Sebastian grade school and Buchtel High School in 1969.

She was preceded in death by her father, William F. Keuhling and her son, Eric Archer. She was a dental assistant for 30 years and also taught dental assisting for one year at the Median Dental School in Pittsburgh, Penn. Joanie was a very talented artist and enjoyed gardening and her friends.

She attended St. Mary's Catholic Church, Shelby. A special thanks to Hospice of Kings Mountain for their help and wonderful care. Also, a special thanks for the people of Kings Mountain and surrounding areas for all their love and support provided over the years. Joanie was a fun-loving lady, always with a smile that would light up a room.

She leaves behind her loving husband of 11 years, Randy Frederick; daughter, Jessica Hull and husband Tom; grandson, Julien; mother, Mary Louise Kuehling; sisters, Mary Beth Spencer and husband Rick, Carol McCool and husband John, Karen Rabbitt and husband Chip, Christine Filko and husband Vince; brother, Bill Kuehling and wife Joanne; mother-in-law, Jo Ann Frederick; sister-in-law, Karen

Reese; and many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 30, at St. Sebastian Church, 476 Mull Ave., Akron, Ohio. The family received guests prior to the service Friday evening at Billows Funeral Home, 85 Miller Rd., Fairlawn, Ohio.

Interment was at Rose Hill Cemetery, Fairlawn, Ohio. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 and/or to Carcinoid Cancer Foundation, 333 Mamaroneck Ave. #492, White Plains, NY 10605.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Martha Blanton Jonas

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Martha Blanton Jonas, 73, of Colony Drive, Kings Mountain, died Sunday, July 24, 2011, at Hospice at Wendover,

Shelby. She was born in Cleveland County to the late Homer Irvin and Willie Horn Irvin. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Z.B. "Tommy" Blanton; brother, Pinkney Irvin; sister, Lily Irvin; and grandchildren, Tarla Rayne Blanton, and Braxton Zayne Blanton. She was an active member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, and retired from Hamricks Industry, Kings Mountain. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

She is survived by her sons, Jonie A. Blanton of Kings Mountain, Eddie R. Blanton and wife Vicki of Kings Mountain; daughters, Rita Blanton and husband Jonathan Rich of Ridgefield, Conn., and Barbara Hudson of York, S.C.; brothers, Walter Home of Spindale, N.C., Nel-

son Irvin of Phoenix City, Ala., Marion Irvin of Shelby, James Jones of Shelby, Ray Jones of Shelby, and Nathan Jones of Polkville; sisters, Ruby Holliday of Ninety Six, S.C., Nellie McNeely of Shelby; and Vergia Strange of Shelby; four grandchildren, Erin Hudson, Julie Hudson, Olivia Blanton-Rich and Sabrina Blanton-Rich.

A funeral service will be conducted by the Rev. Travis Northcutt at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at Oak Grove Baptist Church. The family will receive visitors from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5, at Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, and at other times at the home of the son, Jonie Blanton, 809 Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain.

Interment will be at Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

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

A guest register is available at

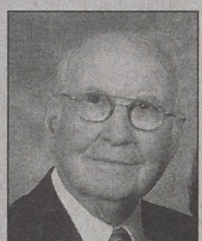
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Gene Patterson

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ira Eugene "Gene" Patterson, 93, of Kings Mountain, died Sunday, July 31, 2011 at White Oak Manor in Kings Mountain. He was a native of Cleveland County, son of the late Bun and Annie Carroll Patterson and in addition to his parents was preceded in death by

brothers, Paul Patterson and sister Helen Hamrick, Margaret Thornburg, Julia Williams and Louise Hord.



Owner of Patterson Dairy, he later retired from PPG Industries in Shelby. He was a member of Patterson Grove Baptist Church in Kings Mountain for many years and was a former deacon and treasurer. He was also a member of the Kings Mountain Lions Club.

Gene was a kind, gentle and generous man. He was hardworking and had a great sense of humor, often entertaining family with his funny country sayings. Although he retired from farming, he never lost his love of the land. Family and friends will miss the countless vegetables they enjoyed during his "growing season." The family wishes to thank Dr. Robert Perkins and the staff of White Oak Manor, Kings Mountain, for their loving care.

Surviving are his wife of 70 years, Jeanette Whisnant Patterson of Kings Mountain; sons, Jerry Patterson and wife, Kimbrough of Chapel Hill and Dennis Patterson and wife, Susan, of Kings Mountain;

sister, Rosa Lee Bell of Kings Mountain; grandchildren, Daniel Patterson and Brad Patterson and wife, Emily; Aaron Patterson and wife, Danielle, Brandon Patterson and wife, Danyale and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2011 at 11 a.m. Rev. Richard Plyler and Dr. Tim Hendrick officiated. The family received friends Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2011 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. prior to the service in the Family Life Center of the church. Interment was in Patterson Grove Church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Patterson Grove Baptist Church, Family Life Center, Challenge to Build, 301 Oak Grove 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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National Night Out promotes neighborhood spirit



Members of the police department attending a city council meeting.

Kings Mountain's Night Out Against Crime Tuesday was an annual effective, enjoyable program promoting neighborhood spirit and police and firemen community partnerships in a fight for a safer America.

Kids took rides on the city fire truck, police grilled hot dogs for the public, and the numerous safety exhibits and a concert "Southern Experience" all added up to an informational and fun evening.

City police got their accolades earlier last week

when Mayor Rick Murphrey recognized them for lowering the crime rate by 50 percent during the past 18 years.

He presented, on behalf of the seven-member city council, an official proclamation and presented each of the officers a memento.

Also sharing the spotlight with police at the city council meeting was 51 year veteran of law enforcement Jay Harold Parker, who retired from the Kings Mountain Police Department in June after serving 15 years and seven months on part time

basis. Parker had formerly retired from the N. C. Department of Corrections after 26 years of service.

The mayor said that the combined efforts of drug enforcement, CID and Patrol divisions had made the community a target for displacing criminals from the city to locations outside the city where it is easier to ply their trade. He also credited the drop in crime to the Narcotics division round up of drug dealers and specifically working with local pharmacies to make it tougher for

prescription drug dealers to ply their trade.

The mayor said the city's first significant change in the crime rate was in 2004 when crime stats dropped from 1176 to 898 in 2001. The drop in crime rate has continued with the N. C. State Bureau of Investigation reporting the crime rate at 519 in 2010. These statistics reflect that the crime rate had reduced nearly 60 percent and for the past seven years is lower than the 954 crime rate of 1993.

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Thursday August 4	Friday August 5	Saturday August 6	Sunday August 7
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30% Chance of precipitation	40% Chance of precipitation	50% Chance of precipitation	40% Chance of precipitation
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